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Tickets on sale for Black Eyed Peas show on the Common

MUSIC Tickets to July's outdoor concert on the Halifax Common featuring the Black Eyed Peas go on sale Friday at 9 a.m.

The July 24th show is part of the two-day Halifax Rocks 2010 and also features Weezer, Classified and other yet-to-be-named artists.

General admission tickets are \$109 with VIP seating costing \$199. Both prices include service charges. Tickets can be purchased at all Ticket Atlantic outlets, online at ticketatlantic.com or by phone at 451-1221.

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Province rights a wrong

Pardon granted to woman convicted for sitting in whites-only theatre section

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Sixty-four years after Viola Desmond was jailed for sitting in a whites-only section of a New Glasgow movie theatre, people gathered in Halifax Thursday to officially pardon "Canada's Rosa Parks" and celebrate her as a hero.

It was the first free pardon in the history of Nova Scotia. In Canada, it's the first time clemency has been awarded posthumously.

The declaration marks not just that Desmond was innocent, but that the conviction itself was wrong.

"The arrest, detainment and conviction of Viola Desmond is an example in our history where the law was used to perpetuate racism and racial segregation — this is contrary to the values of Canadian society," said Premier Darrell Dexter.

"On behalf of the province of Nova Scotia, I am sorry."

On Nov. 8, 1946 Desmond attempted to buy a movie ticket to the main floor of the Roseland Theatre in New Glasgow. Staff refused to sell her one because the lower level was for white people only. African Nova Scotians had to sit in the balcony, where tickets cost one cent less.



Wanda Robson speaks about her late sister Viola Desmond, pictured on the left, during a ceremony at Province House on Thursday. Desmond was arrested in 1946 for sitting in a whites-only section of a New Glasgow theatre. Desmond was granted a free pardon from Lt.-Gov. Mayann Francis and Premier Darrell Dexter apologized to Desmond's family.

She was unknowingly given a balcony ticket and when she went to sit in the main level the theatre manager called the police.



Dexter

Desmond was jailed for the

night, tried and convicted for failing to pay an extra cent in tax to the province, and fined \$20.

Viola Desmond passed away in the 1960s, but her little sister Wanda Robson, now 83, was at the ceremony in the legislature Red Room Thursday.

In a graceful speech, she had the packed crowd shift-

ing between laughter and applause as she recounted the long movement to have Desmond pardoned.

"It just became my mission," she explained. "This is what I had to do."

Robson remembered her sister as a person who did things women at that time just didn't do. She had a car, she learned to drive,

and she had her own business.

"You know what she would say? Mom and dad would be so proud. That's what she would think," Robson told reporters.

"She would be so happy. And not only for personal achievement, but for leaving something behind for the young people."

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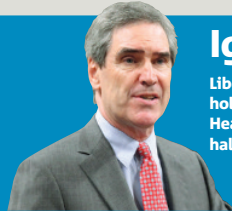
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Iggy comes to Nova Scotia

Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff will be in Nova Scotia on Friday. Ignatieff is first holding a rural policy announcement at 10 a.m. at the Hants Shore Community Health Centre in Newport. From there, Ignatieff is heading off to Bedford for a town hall meeting at Charles P. Allen High School at 1 p.m.

METRO HALIFAX

News in brief

KENTVILLE An elderly man is dead following a two-vehicle crash on Highway 12 near Kentville. Paul Maynard of Emergency Health Services said a man and woman in the second vehicle suffered non-life-threatening injuries in the crash Thursday afternoon in Blue Mountain. Kentville fire Chief Shawn Ripley says the road was slippery at the time of the crash. The victim's name wasn't released.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

CRASH A 22-year-old woman was taken to hospital with serious head injuries after her car collided with a tree on Nantucket Avenue in Dartmouth. Halifax Regional Police stopped a vehicle at the MacDonald Bridge toll booth at 1:30 a.m. Thursday. When officers approached the vehicle, police say the driver sped off. A short time later the vehicle was found on Nantucket Avenue against a tree, extensively damaged. **METRO HALIFAX**



Mayor Peter Kelly speaks to reporters during a press conference about new federal wastewater regulations at city hall on Thursday.

Kelly warns on water

Asks province, feds for help with wastewater upgrades

ALEX BOUTILIER
for Metro Halifax

New federal wastewater regulations would represent the "single most significant property tax increase ever in the history of Canada," HRM Mayor Peter Kelly said Thursday.

Kelly urged the provincial and federal governments to establish cost-sharing strategies with municipalities to deal with the cost of upgrading wastewater infrastructure. He said the increased standards could cost HRM between \$1.7 and \$2.5 billion over 30 years.

"This becomes an annual cost," Kelly said.

"This is a life-altering change for the municipalities in terms of financial pressures ... We're asking the feds (and) the province, to be part of this solution."

The regulations, developed over a six-year process

Minister's office responds

Ashleigh Wilson, spokeswoman for Environment Minister Jim Prentice, said the government has already made significant investments in wastewater in-

frastructure. She also noted municipalities will have until 2020, 2030 or 2040 to be in compliance with the regulations, depending on the situation.

by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, will create a national standard for approximately 3,500 wastewater facilities.

According to the CCME, most of these facilities are in need of repair or upgrading. There are three different time frames for the upgrades that correspond to three different risk levels for wastewater systems.

Kelly said most of HRM's infrastructure is classified as "moderate risk," meaning the municipality would have 20 years to upgrade its systems.

But the three newest

plants, including the Halifax sewage treatment plant that malfunctioned in 2009 and has not been fully operational since, are not up to the new codes.

"All our plants meet the secondary (qualifications), other than the three new ones," said Kelly, adding upgrading the new plants would cost around \$120-million each. "Then getting into the ground and sorting the storm water from the waste water is the challenge for us."

Kelly's comments came at the Atlantic Mayors' Congress summit in Halifax.

Another day, another shooting in HRM

GUNFIRE Police are investigating yet another shooting incident in HRM, this time after a man walked into a Dartmouth hospital with a gunshot wound to his foot.

Halifax Regional Police say they were called to Dartmouth General Hospital just before midnight on Wednesday, after receiving reports of a 22-year-old man being treated for a gunshot wound. The incident marks HRM's 11th shooting since March 16.

Similar to the previous shootings, police say the victim refuses to co-operate, and will not provide any details about what took place.

Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said while the lack of co-operation is frustrating for police, they will continue to investigate the issue to the best of their ability.

"We haven't received any

Busy month

• Of the now 11 shootings in HRM since March 16, six have taken place since the start of April.

information as to where, when or how this occurred," Palmeter said.

"Currently it's still under investigation and we'll continue to investigate it despite the lack of co-operation ... (But) we encourage (the victims) or anybody with information to come forward to prevent a similar incident from happening again."

As of Thursday, it was still not known where the incident had taken place. The victim was taken to the QEII Health Centre for further treatment for what is believed to be non-life-threatening injuries.

ALEX BOUTILIER/FOR METRO HALIFAX

Guns seized in two incidents

POLICE BEAT Police seized a handgun and hashish after a bizarre foot chase with a man in Uniacke Square this week.

At 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, two Halifax Regional Police beat officers allege they noticed a man walking in public with an open beer. The man ran from police and attempted to evade them by hiding between parked cars.

Police say they located the man and a brief struggle ensued. A search of the area turned up a handgun and an undisclosed amount of hash.

Joseph Endelle Chan, a

28-year-old from Halifax, faces multiple charges, including possession, resisting arrest, and weapons related offences.

Police also seized a sawed-off shotgun and ammunition from a 20-year-old man later that night.

At approximately 11:20 p.m., East Division officers stopped a vehicle in Highfield Park in Dartmouth.

The vehicle's three occupants were searched, and one was allegedly in possession of the shotgun and an undisclosed amount of ammo. He was taken into custody without incident.

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Neil Fraser has been appointed to the position of chief inspector of the Nova Scotia SPCA. A release issued Thursday said Fraser will be overseeing all aspects of provincial cruelty investigations for the SPCA. He took over the position on April 6. **METRO HALIFAX**

Steele to CFIB: Dump leaders

PAUL MCLEOD
Metro Halifax

Finance Minister Graham Steele made the unusual move Thursday of telling a business group it should look into ousting its leadership.

Steele said the confrontational style by the heads of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business is reducing its influence and hurting its members.

The latest round of salvos between Steele and the CFIB began when the business group issued a

release Thursday slamming Steele for holding "closed-door" meetings about cross-border shopping in Cumberland County.

The CFIB say it wasn't invited to attend. Steele said the CFIB never tried to call him.

"I'm not planning to meet with the CFIB. They haven't contacted me, they just issued a vitriolic news release, which I don't find terribly helpful," Steele said.

The minister said he does talk to many small businesses, but thinks they should be question-

"I'm not planning to meet with the CFIB."

Graham Steele

ing their representation.

Steele said of all the groups he works with, the CFIB is the most difficult.

"The CFIB spokespeople in Halifax have this thing that I find just completely unconstructive, and I don't think they're serving their members very well," Steele told reporters.

"Frankly, I think their members should start

questioning whether the people in the Halifax office are really serving them well.

"Because of their very unconstructive approach they really have very little influence. I don't think that's what CFIB members expect when they pay their dues."

CFIB spokesperson Judith Andrew insisted her organization brings forward the concerns of businesses and said Steele is trying to "bully" them and

"shoot the messenger."

"He knows that we've done detailed analysis on tax situation and budget situation."

"You just have to look at our documents to know what we've done," she said.

"Our careful analysis is that he doesn't need to do these tax increases."

"And he's angry at us for pointing this out ... We're not letting him get away with pretending to be fiscally responsible when he isn't."



Graham Steele

Police find a surprise in the freezer

PHILIP CROUCHER
Metro Halifax

COURTS A 52-year-old Dartmouth man was in provincial court Thursday after police say drugs, illegal cigarettes and moose meat were seized from a home in Upper Sackville.

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RCMP say they executed a search warrant Wednesday at the home on Sackville Drive and found 159 marijuana plants,

1,012 grams of marijuana, illegal cigarettes, drug paraphernalia, cash and hundreds of pounds of moose meat. Police spokesperson Cpl. Joe Taplin said the moose meat was in home's freezer.

He said officers called in the province's Department of Natural Resources because of the sheer quantity of meat.

Taplin said it's "very uncommon for us inside city limits to come across anything like that."

The man was facing charges of possession for the purpose of trafficking, production of marijuana and possession of illegal cigarettes under the excise and revenue act.

Police say natural resources is investigating the illegal possession of moose meat.

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Couple in court over standoff

COURT A Harrietsfield couple face charges over an alleged domestic disturbance that turned into what police treated as a standoff.

Timothy Bernard Gilkie, 33, appeared in court Thursday on charges of assault, threats and drug cultivation.

A 31-year-old woman from Harrietsfield was also charged with drug cultivation. **METRO HALIFAX**

Titanic Memories will float on the Atlantic waves



Members of United States Coast Guard International Ice Patrol carry wreaths Thursday at a Titanic memorial service in Halifax. The Titanic hit an iceberg and sank April 15, 1912, resulting in the loss of 1,517 lives. The wreaths were to be dropped from the Americans' patrol aircraft over the North Atlantic Friday.

RCMP goes back to Wagmatcook

LAW Wagmatcook First Nation in Cape Breton has negotiated a new policing agreement with the RCMP, although a band official says it will take some work to restore the community's trust in the Mounties.

The agreement, which must still be ratified by government and the band council, calls for four officers dedicated to the community, said Brian Arbuthnot, the band's director of operations.

Wagmatcook had been policed by the RCMP but that relationship soured after a Mountie shot and killed a resident. The band council later ended its contract with the RCMP.

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News in brief

CRIME A 32-year-old man who pulled a knife on a social worker has been jailed for two years. Wayne Crowell of Annapolis County also got two years probation after pleading guilty to several charges. The social worker was not injured.

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Clothes make the successful employee at fashion show

SHELBY MACDONALD
for Metro Halifax

Dressing for success has more meaning than simply the clothes one wears.

Dress for Success Halifax is presenting Turbines Spring 2010 fashion show on Sunday afternoon as part of its annual celebration titled The Tea Party.

The non-profit organization with chapters across the world provides suits and support for underprivileged women in HRM who need help becoming financially independent, self-sufficient and successful in their careers.

Event chair Faith Drinnan said it made sense to

Tea party tickets

• Tickets for Tea with Turbine are \$45 and can be purchased at www.dressforsuccess.org/Halifax or by phone at 493-7377.

tie its annual event with Atlantic Canada's Fashion Week, which opened Wednesday and ends on Sunday.

"We're talking about clothes and how they make you feel and give you confidence," she said. "That's how it ties into fashion."

Dress for Success Halifax services over 200 women a year after being referred by organizations such as

The United Way.

"These women have made a conscious decision that they want to change their life and they want to become self-sufficient," Drinnan said.

"When we can give a woman a suit who can't afford one to get one for her interview, she will go into that interview feeling good about herself and feeling confident and it will help her get the job."

The Tea Party fundraiser runs from noon to 4 p.m., with two, 25-minute fashion shows beginning at 1:40 and 2:35 p.m. respectively. All funds raised go directly to Dress for Success Halifax, which has helped over 900 women get into the workforce.

Drug bust suspect tally hits 36

HIGH SCHOOL The number of students at Amherst Regional High School under investigation in relation to a drug bust at the school last week has increased to 36.

Amherst Police Deputy Chief Ian Naylor confirmed that interviews with those arrested last Friday and information gathered from the surveillance led to an additional 14 students being investigated.

"There were some people who weren't in school on Friday and were identified from the surveillance," Naylor said.

Members of the Cumberland Integrated Street Crime Unit are continuing their investigation and have spent most of this week conducting interviews with the students arrested during the raid that



There are now 36 students being investigated in relation to a drug bust last week at Amherst Regional High School.

took place at around noon on Friday. Naylor said the unit, made up of members of the Amherst and Springhill police departments and the Cumberland RCMP, are close to wrapping up their interviews and should be in a position soon to determine

whether charges will be laid. The unit, he said, is attempting to focus on the positive and part of that is trying to avoid laying charges where possible. Instead, officers are looking at alternate measures such as restorative justice.

AMHERST DAILY NEWS

Council moves to stop chopper flights

GUYSBOROUGH Nova Scotia's Guysborough County council is contacting a mining company to demand it stop helicopter survey flights over the area immediately.

The action was prompted by complaints from a New Harbour mink farmer who says the noise made by the Acadian Mining chopper is spooking his animals.

Bradley Nickerson says

his mink are having their litters and the constant noise is stressful for them.

He called his municipal councillor to complain and the matter was raised at Wednesday's council meeting.

Acadian Mining issued a release April 5 indicating it was undertaking an aerial survey of its holdings to determine the potential for gold deposits.

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Lunenburg sets scene for horror

STEPHEN KING SERIES The picturesque town of Lunenburg is going to be the backdrop for a television series based on the work of horror-writer Stephen King.

Lunenburg will fill in for the fictitious Town of Haven, Maine, where the inhabitants have no idea they are descendants of cursed ancestry.

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A 'debutante'?

Source tells of Guergis's partying days

Helena Guergis may have nurtured the image of a straitlaced cabinet minister on Parliament Hill, but people who knew her in younger days paint a picture of a regular club-goer often seen on the arm of a hometown playboy.

It's similar to the picture being painted of Guergis by recent allegations that she and her husband Rahim Jaffer were photographed in a compromising situation with cocaine and hookers.

The allegations, and others related to offshore accounts, led to her expulsion from the Conservative caucus as the RCMP was called in to investigate.

Much of the attention has been focused on Jaffer, but Guergis was no wall-flower either.

Sources say Guergis was



Former Conservative MP
Helena Guergis

in a serious relationship in the late '90s with a well-known playboy in Barrie, Ont., a promoter who was a fixture in the local party scene and later owned a popular local strip club.

A source who knew both Shane Alkerton and Guer-

gis well told The Canadian Press their love affair was a tumultuous "soap opera" that spanned many years, but ended before she entered politics.

A friend of Alkerton said Guergis was well-known as a "debutante" because of her wealthy, politically involved family. Chris Beleskey said she was one of the only steady girlfriends the "wild guy" Alkerton had at the time, with a bevy of club "groupies" passing in and out of his life.

"Helena was the kind of girl that if she wanted to go somewhere, she didn't want to wait in line or anything."

Beleskey added he didn't see Guergis involved in drugs, but "she would come out to the clubs, and ... there were people doing drugs."

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Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks during a memorial mass in Mississauga, Ont., Thursday to honour the president of Poland, his wife and the other Polish leaders who were killed late last week in a plane crash in Russia.

Poland tragedy a 'cruel irony': PM

MASS The death of Poland's president and 95 others in a plane crash while en route to commemorate a Second World War massacre is a "cruel irony," Prime Minister Stephen Harper told thousands gathered for a remembrance mass Thursday.

"The fact that this tragic event took place so near Katyn and the marking of the 70th anniversary of the massacre of thousands of Poland's military, political

and intellectual leadership is a cruel irony indeed," Harper said at the outset of the mass.

"Few countries in the world have endured so much, so often at the hands of unforgiving fate as has Poland. But fewer still have demonstrated so much resilience in response to hardship."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Investigating torture claims not my job: Senior officer

INQUIRY Defence headquarters looked into allegations of prisoner abuse in Afghanistan and determined that some names mentioned in a 2007 newspaper story matched those of detainees who went through Canadian custody, the Military Police Complaints Commission was told Thursday. But the fact some names matched up was not enough to persuade a senior military police officer who led the investigation to look any deeper.

"It wasn't my responsibility as a military police officer to investigate allegations of the Afghan authorities allegedly ... mistreating their people," said Lt.-Col. Douglas Boot.

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Canada leads by example in G8 aid

New figures show G8 countries are well short of their development-aid commitments — but Canada can change that, aid advocates say.

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development released numbers showing the Group of Eight rich countries are falling US\$18 billion short of keeping a promise to double aid to poor countries.

The shortfall is particularly deep for Africa, the OECD says. In 2005, the G8 promised to increase aid to Africa by US\$25 billion, but the continent will only receive about US\$11 billion based on recent commitments.

"All donors need to

Preference

• The NGOs will also be pressuring the G8 to discuss climate change, but Ottawa has made it clear it would prefer to discuss climate change at the Major Economies Forum, and not at the G8 or G20.

make the efforts necessary to meet their commitments," said Eckhard Deutscher, chair of the OECD's development assistance committee.

The G8 agreed in 2005 at the Gleneagles summit in Scotland that they would double their official development assistance by 2010, and dedicate a larger

proportion of their aid to Africa.

Canada has largely lived up to its promises, and has put C\$5 billion toward aid in 2010-2011, said Jessica Fletcher, spokeswoman for International Development Minister Bev Oda.

"We come out looking better than most," agreed Dennis Howlett, national co-ordinator of Make Poverty History, an umbrella group of large non-governmental organizations in Canada.

That's why Canada should use its moral authority, as well as its control of the agenda as host of the next G8 summit, to pressure other countries to pay up, Howlett said.

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News in brief

SCANDAL Premier Jean Charest is denying claims he has changed the rules for appointing judges to Quebec courts, despite an aide to Quebec's justice minister saying that Charest allows cabinet members to see lists of candidates for judicial appointments before a final decision is made.

ECONOMY Canada's budget watchdog says employment insurance premiums may have to go up, and by a lot. The parliamentary budget office estimates that EI premiums paid by workers and employers would have to rise by the maximum allowable limit of 15 cents per \$100 of insurable earnings if the fund is to return to near balance in five years.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Fairness at the Pump' set to curb gas gougers

LEGISLATION Federal Industry Minister Tony Clement has announced legislation aimed at cracking down on gas station operators who overcharge customers.

"This will reduce the amount of inaccuracy that is hitting consumers at the pumps." Industry Minister Tony Clement

Clement says government studies have found that six per cent of the time, pumps are not properly calibrated for the advertised price and most of the time — four per cent — it's

the operator that benefits. His Fairness at the Pumps Act will increase checks on the industry and hike the possible fines for violations.

"We expect this will reduce the amount of inaccuracy that is hitting consumers at the pumps," Clement told reporters Thursday.

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Volcanic ash wreaking havoc with royal birthday celebrations

The airline chaos caused by the volcanic eruption in Iceland complicated travel plans Thursday for a number of European royals planning to travel to Copenhagen to celebrate the 70th birthday of Denmark's Queen Margrethe. Flights have been cancelled in several European countries due to volcanic ash. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Obamas pay almost \$2M in taxes

The White House says U.S. President Barack Obama and his wife, Michelle, made \$5.5 million last year and paid nearly \$1.8 million in federal income tax. The Obamas gave \$329,000 to charities. That included \$50,000 each to CARE and the United Negro College Fund. The president also donated his \$1.4-million Nobel Peace Prize award to 10 charities. The White House said the vast majority of the Obamas' income was from sales of the president's books.

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News in brief

POLAND Hundreds gathered in grief at Warsaw's airport Thursday for two state ceremonies honouring 35 more victims of the plane crash in Russia, among them the last man who led Poland's government in exile when the country was ruled by communists. A military plane travelled from Russia with the body of Ryszard Kaczorowski, whose casket was draped in the white-and-red Polish flag, and flanked by a sabre-bearing honour guard. His widow and daughters, dressed in black, wept at his coffin and kissed it.

CLIMATE Last month was the warmest March on record worldwide, based on records dating back to 1880, U.S. scientists reported Thursday. The average temperature for the month was 13.5 C, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration reported. That was 0.77 C above the average over the 20th Century.

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Scale unseen since 9-11

Volcanic ash virtually shuts down half of Europe's air space

An enormous ash cloud from a remote Icelandic volcano caused the biggest flight disruption since the 2001 U.S. terrorist attacks Thursday as it drifted over northern Europe and stranded travellers on six continents.

Officials said it could take days for the skies to become safe again in one of aviation's most congested areas. The cloud, floating kilometres above Earth and capable of knocking out jet engines, wrecked travel plans for tens of thousands of people, from tourists and business travellers to politicians and royals. They couldn't see the source of their frustration — except indirectly, when



A passenger waits at a deserted Belfast International Airport Thursday in Northern Ireland. All flights from the airport were cancelled after air traffic across Britain was disrupted because of ash from a volcanic eruption in Iceland.

the ash created vivid red and lavender sunsets.

Non-emergency flights in Britain were cancelled, and most will stay grounded un-

til at least midday Friday. Authorities in Ireland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Belgium also closed their air space.

France shut down 24 airports, including the main hub of Charles de Gaulle in Paris; Germany's Berlin and Hamburg were shut Thursday evening.

Kyla Evans, spokeswoman for air traffic service Eurocontrol, said half of all trans-Atlantic flights were expected to be cancelled Friday.

At London's Heathrow airport, normally one of the world's busiest with more than 1,200 flights and 180,000 travellers a day, passengers stared forlornly at departure boards on which every flight was listed as cancelled.

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Rescuers fighting elements in China

EARTHQUAKE Rescue teams fought gusty winds and altitude sickness Thursday as survivors faced a second night outside in freezing weather after strong earthquakes left more than 600 dead in a mountainous area of western China. Rescuers, tired from the high winds and thin oxygen, pulled survivors and bodies from the pulverized remains of the town flattened by Wednesday's quake. About 15,000 houses have collapsed.

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Defectors say North Korea's holiday highlight is Kim's birthday.

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Israel has banned all imports of the Apple iPad, citing concerns that its wireless frequencies are incompatible with national standards. The ban prevents anyone, even tourists, from bringing an iPad into Israel. Officials have already confiscated about 10 iPads. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Garbage, garbage everywhere ...

Plastic could pose biggest threat to oceans

Researchers are warning of a new blight on the ocean: A swirl of confetti-like plastic debris stretching over thousands of square kilometres in a remote expanse of the Atlantic Ocean.

The floating garbage — hard to spot from the surface and spun together by a vortex of currents — was documented by two groups of scientists who trawled the sea between scenic Bermuda and Portugal's mid-Atlantic Azores islands.

The studies describe a soup of micro-particles similar to the so-called Great Pacific Garbage Patch, a phenomenon discovered a decade ago between Hawaii and California that researchers say is likely to exist in other places around the globe.

"We found the great Atlantic garbage patch," said Anna Cummins, who collected plastic samples on a sailing voyage in February.

"Humanity's plastic footprint is probably more dangerous than its carbon footprint."

Charles Moore, ocean researcher

The debris is harmful for fish, sea mammals — and at the top of the food chain, potentially humans — even though much of the plastic has broken into such tiny pieces they are nearly invisible.

Since there is no realistic way of cleaning the oceans, advocates say the key is to keep more plastic out by raising awareness and, wherever possible, challenging a throwaway culture that uses non-biodegradable materials for disposable products.

"Our job now is to let people know that plastic ocean pollution is a global

problem — it unfortunately is not confined to a single patch," Cummins said.

Long trails of seaweed, mixed with bottles, crates and other flotsam, drift in the still waters of the area, known as the North Atlantic Subtropical Convergence Zone.

But the most nettlesome trash is nearly invisible: Countless specks of plastic, often smaller than pencil erasers, suspended near the surface of the Atlantic.

"It's shocking to see it first-hand," Cummins said. "We've managed to leave our footprint really everywhere."

Charles Moore, an ocean researcher credited with discovering the Pacific garbage patch, said the Atlantic undoubtedly has similar amounts of plastic.

"Humanity's plastic footprint is probably more dangerous than its carbon footprint," he said.

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New York A new beginning at the WTC



Construction cranes work on the rising structure of One World Trade Center Thursday in New York. When finished, the tower will rise to a height of 541 metres.

Car bomb injures eight in Kandahar

AFGHANISTAN A car bomb exploded outside a hotel in the southern Afghan city of Kandahar Thursday, injuring at least eight people, while fighting in the north of the country left four German troops dead, officials said.

The explosion in front of the Noor Jehan Hotel shattered windows in the shabby four-storey structure, destroyed five vehicles and damaged a number of shops in the area. At least two of those injured were in serious condition, said local official Nidah Mohammed.

The hotel, located in a busy downtown commer-

cial district, is home to a number of foreign news organizations and has little security.

International forces present in the city rarely patrol through the area. The news organizations are largely staffed by Afghans, and there was no immediate indication foreigners were among those hurt.

Aghalala, a money changer working the street in front of the hotel, said two men pulled up in the car, parked it, and walked away. Five minutes later the white sedan exploded, said Aghalala, who uses only one name.

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News in brief

SUICIDE An ailing Northern California man delivered his own obituary to a newspaper then hanged himself from a nearby bridge. The body of 64-year-old Allan Leo Peters II was found Wednesday hanging by a yellow rope from an old bridge. The man wrote that he'd been struggling with emphysema and had trouble breathing. He wrote, "Yes, I have hanged myself (At least I hope I did!)"

MURDER A Detroit area father who fatally shot his 15-year-old son after the teen admitted molesting a three-year-old girl has been sentenced to 37 to 80 years in prison. Jamar Pinkney Sr. was convicted April 1 in the Nov. 16 death of Jamar Pinkney Jr. The defence attorney argued the father became enraged after his son's admission and couldn't control himself.

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Pirates in legal no-mans land

Somali pirates scooped up by U.S. and European warships are sitting in legal limbo on the high seas. Bringing them to the lawless Somali capital for trial is not an option and Kenya says it won't take any more, though diplomats wonder if the government in Nairobi may be trying to wring more cash from the international community.

Among the more than two dozen captured pirates being held on international warships are 11 suspected pirates who attacked two American warships this month. They haven't yet been transferred anywhere. Lt. Matt Allen of the Bahrain-based U.S. Fifth Fleet says the American government is "reviewing its

options for disposition."

Kenyan officials say pirates are putting an undue strain on the country's congested justice system. But diplomats say only 118 of Kenya's 53,000 prisoners are convicted or suspected pirates.

Government spokesman Alfred Mutua said Thursday that Kenya is still helping anti-piracy efforts by helping to track ransom money, providing a refuelling base and by patrolling its own coastline and said other countries should play their part.

Such words have gone down badly with countries collectively paying more than \$1 million a day for the international navies patrolling the waters off east Africa. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

News in brief

PIRACY The top U.S. Naval officer in Africa and Europe says authorities need to go after the money being earned by pirates to try to end what has become a scourge on the seas. Adm. Mark Fitzgerald says it is no surprise where the money goes. Leaders in Kenya tell him rich Somalis also are buying up the real estate around the capital of Nairobi and the African nation's port of Mombasa. Ethiopians report that the same thing is happening in their capital of Addis Ababa.

KYRGYZSTAN The deposed president of Kyrgyzstan left the country Thursday for neighbouring Kazakhstan, allaying fears of a civil war in the Central Asian nation that hosts a key U.S. military base supporting the war in Afghanistan. The U.S., Russia and Kazakhstan helped arrange for Kyrgyz President Kurmanbek Bakiyev to leave the country, Kazakhstan said in its role as head of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

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Comment

The tragedy that is Trevor Zinck

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Stephen Kimber

I've only met Trevor Zinck once. Back in 2007 when I was working on a story about the far too many children who fall through the cracks of our child welfare system and he was a fresh-faced

NDP MLA. He seemed earnest and genuinely concerned.

How to square that Trevor Zinck with the off-the-rails unnatural disaster he has become this past month?

The Trevor Zinck who allegedly played so fast and loose with his MLA expenses he got kicked out of the NDP caucus?

The Trevor Zinck who stands accused of running up a \$10,000 gambling debt on the credit card of a disabled friend for whom he was once a caregiver?

The Trevor Zinck who now blames everyone else for his troubles?

The simple, and most likely, answer is Zinck's "problems" with alcohol and gambling — which he has publicly acknowledged in an offhanded way but has clearly not yet accepted as serious, or seemingly done anything to deal with — have warped his political and personal judgments.

Without getting at Dr. Phil, it seems obvious Trevor Zinck is in denial.

When he got kicked out

of the caucus, for example, Zinck dismissed concerns about his own alleged failure to pay routine bills for which he'd already been reimbursed. If there had been a problem, he argued, it was just bookkeeping. And he'd taken care of it.

He lashed out at Darrell Dexter, accusing the premier of plotting to oust him to scare other unidentified NDP MLAs from voting against the government's upcoming budget.

When his former friend reluctantly went public

about Zinck's alleged failure to repay the credit card debt, Zinck claimed the NDP put the man's family up to it. The family denied the allegation.

Zinck's most recent claim that all these unlikely conspiracies are somehow intended to undermine what he claims is widespread public support for him among his constituents appears — to be generous — delusional.

In the end, there are two issues here.

The first, of course, is the

public issue of Trevor Zinck's ability — and legitimacy — to continue as an MLA. Let's leave that for today.

The larger, sadder and more human issue is that Trevor Zinck needs help. The tragedy is that he still doesn't — or won't — recognize just how much. Let's hope, for his sake, that that changes.

Before it's too late.

Stephen Kimber, the Rogers Communications Chair in Journalism at the University of Kings College, is the author of eight books.

Views

What do higher interest rates mean for you?

InBusiness

Charles Davies

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Does Canada really need higher interest rates to keep inflation in check? Who knows, but we're going to get them anyway.

Along about June, the Bank of Canada will start raising the target for the "overnight rate." That's the rate financial institutions use to lend money to each other. This will send ripples

across the interest rate spectrum, from business and consumer loans to mortgage rates and credit card charges. If the Bank of Canada keeps boosting rates, the ripple will start to look more like a wave.

In late March, the big banks anticipated coming rate hikes by boosting posted rates for five-year mortgages.

How will this play out for you? Taken with related economic factors like the value of the Canadian dollar, higher interest rates will hurt more than they help. If you've been planning to buy a house, do it now because mortgage

rates will be higher in the second half. Say you could get a \$250,000 fixed rate mortgage today at 4.5 per cent, but would have to pay five per cent in August. Over a five-year term, that extra half-point will cost you \$6,000 in additional interest. And you'll pay off nearly \$1,800 less in principal.

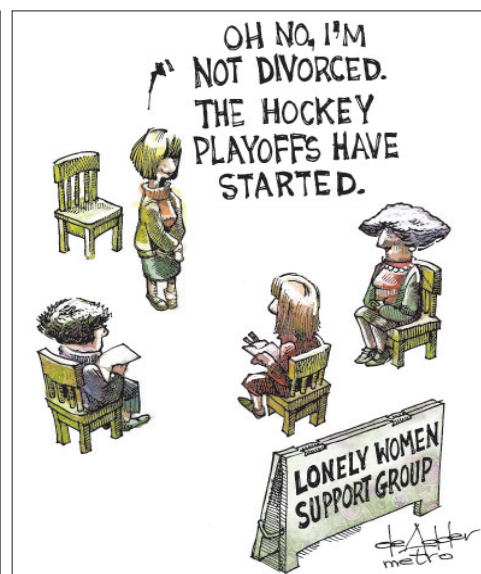
You might also want to buy a new car sooner as well. Automakers have been offering zero per cent financing and attractive lease and maintenance deals. But car companies are still struggling to recover and they know this kind of competition strangles

profits. Higher interest rates will boost their operating costs and make them cut back on incentives as soon as they can.

By boosting the value of the Canadian dollar, higher interest rates should make import prices cheaper. But at the retail level, Canadian prices are invariably higher than U.S. levels to start with — nearly seven per cent higher as of late — reflecting our cost structure.

If you really want bargains, cross the U.S. border and buy there.

Charles Davies is a veteran business writer who has worked for Canadian and international news organizations.



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Just do your taxes, it's worth it

Many Canadians will be spending the next few weeks wading through paperwork and scouring their homes for months-old receipts as the April 30 deadline to get their taxes in order looms.

"People hate doing this," said Dennis Tew, chief financial officer at Franklin Templeton Investments Corp.

"They know that they have to go and find all their information. They know that they have to pull it together."

Tew said he's made a

habit of getting his own tax return done early each year — mainly because his tax refund arrives that much quicker.

While Gena Katz, executive director of Ernst & Young's tax practice, agrees it's "silly" to put off filing a tax return if the government owes you money, she said it's even worse to miss the deadline when it's the other way around.

"For people who owe money, they really have to file on time or at least pay on time because the penal-

Late-filing penalties

• If you fail to pay your 2009 taxes by midnight April 30, the Canada Revenue Agency will charge a five per cent penalty

on the balance owing, plus one per cent of the balance for each full month the return is late for up to 12 months.

ties are pretty severe for late filing," said Katz.

With two weeks to go until the taxman comes knocking, chronic procrastinators across Canada may be at a loss on where to start.

"All of a sudden you go into this panic because

now you're trying to find all of this information," said Cleo Hamel, a senior tax analyst with H&R Block.

The government needs any information relating to income, so first and foremost it's important to round up those T-slips.

The next priority is to track down forms and receipts related to any number of available tax credits — charitable donations, children's health programs, childcare, home renovations, tuition, and health-care costs.

"If the only thing you have is your income information, I know that by the end of it you're not going to be happy with the result. You'll probably owe money or maybe you're not getting as much of a refund," said Hamel.

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Cleo Hamel is a senior tax analyst with H&R Block.



Hal Kvisle has led TransCanada Corp. since 2001.

TransCanada CEO to retire

ENERGY Diversified energy giant TransCanada Corp. will soon be under new leadership.

North America's largest natural gas shipper says its chief executive — one of Western Canada's best-known and most successful business leaders — will retire at the end of June.

Hal Kvisle, 57, joined TransCanada in 1999 after years in the oil industry, including a period at legendary Dome Petroleum Ltd., and moved into the top job at the gas pipeline operator in 2001.

During his tenure, he won wide respect in the energy sector and was named Canada's Outstanding CEO of the year in 2008.

Kvisle said Thursday that TransCanada has either achieved or exceeded all goals it set out in the past decade.

In particular, he cited the company's Canadian expansion and the establishment of a gas transmission busi-

ness in the United States.

Kvisle will be succeeded by current chief operating officer Russ Girling, a former CFO at the Calgary company.

Barry Jackson, TransCanada's chairman, cited Kvisle's "focus, drive and wisdom" for helping the natural gas shipper grow rapidly in the last decade.

TransCanada's growth reflects the continental expansion of the energy business, with growing oil-sands production, a widening pipeline network Canada and the United States and new sources of natural gas in shale rock formations in both countries.

"Our Canadian gas transmission business is expanding to move B.C. shale gas to market," Kvisle said.

"We are working to extend our Canadian system to connect northern gas from Mackenzie and Alaska."

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Mutual funds top \$600B

ASSETS For the first time since mid-2008, Canada's mutual fund operators had more than \$600 billion of assets under their care at the end of March, following another month of net sales to investors.

Net sales — what's left after subtracting redemptions by investors when they cash in their fund units — totalled \$1.64 billion last month.

That's down from \$3.1

billion in February when Canadians were making contributions to registered retirement plans before the March 1 deadline.

The value of total assets managed by the fund companies that are tracked by the Investment Funds Institute of Canada rose to \$618 billion last month, up \$120.6 billion from March 2009 at the low-point of the 2008-09 market meltdown.

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Business in brief

MINING Inter-Citic Minerals Inc., a junior Toronto miner operating in China, is getting a \$18.6-million strategic investment from Zijin Mining Group Co. Ltd., China's largest gold producer. The financing will make Zijin the largest shareholder of Inter-Citic. Under

an agreement with Zijin and ICBC Credit Suisse Asset Management Co. Ltd., Zijin will buy 16 million shares of Inter-Citic at \$1.16 per share in a private placement that will generate \$18.56 million for the Canadian miner.

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Layoffs show U.S. recovery still shaky

ECONOMY A spike in U.S. unemployment claims Thursday underscored the bumpiness of the economic rebound: Consumers are spending more. Factories are making more. But layoffs have not tapered off as fast as expected.

So can the recovery gather much steam if 17 per cent of working-age Americans remain jobless or underemployed?

Employers have begun to add jobs recently, including 162,000 in March. Yet much stronger job creation is needed to ease the current 9.7 per cent unemployment rate. And if layoffs were to spike and job creation sputter, the recovery could fall back into a "double-dip" recession.

The odds of that have receded as the economy has strengthened. But it can't be dismissed.

"It looks like we're on a path to moderate recovery and that the risk of a double-dip, while certainly not negligible, it is certainly less than it was a few months ago," Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke told U.S. Congress Wednesday.

"That being said, there are any number of possible things that could derail it."

At the top of Bernanke's risk list: Chronically high

unemployment, which he said could cause consumers to spend less.

Economists think unemployment will probably remain above nine per cent

by the November midterm elections, making Democratic and Republican incumbents in Congress vulnerable, particularly in hard-hit states. U.S. President Barack Obama is summoning top economic advisers for a meeting Friday to talk about creating new jobs, the White House said.

In its report on unemployment claims, the government said the number of newly laid-off people signing up for jobless aid last week surged 24,000 to a seasonally adjusted 484,000. That was the most since late February. Economists had predicted a drop in first-time claims.

One theory is companies are boosting production and meeting customer demand by squeezing more work from their existing staff.

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Traffic manager sees revenue drop

International Road Dynamics swung to a loss of \$181,000 or a penny a share in its first-quarter, reversing earnings of \$247,000 or two cents a share in the same 2009 period. The highway traffic management products and systems company saw its revenue drop to \$8.5 million from \$11 million. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Chinese thirst means big Prairie beer sales

BARLEY Big sales are on tap for Prairie malting barley producers thanks to a growing thirst in China for beer.

The Canadian Wheat Board says it has signed its largest long-term malting barley sales agreement with China.

The deal for at least 500,000 tonnes of malting barley is worth \$100 million to Prairie farmers.

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Greenpeace activists, some dressed in business suits and wearing smoke stack hats, 'greenwash' BP's Calgary headquarters with large letters spelling out tar sands in Calgary, Thursday. The demonstration was staged to bring attention to alleged environmental damage caused by mining oil sands and was held on the same day as the company's annual meeting in London.

BP under fire over oilsands project

British oil giant BP PLC faced down a rebellion from a vocal minority of shareholders Thursday over a controversial oilsands project in Canada and the 40 per cent pay increase granted to the company's chief executive.

A coalition of more than 100 shareholders backed a resolution at the company's annual general meet-

ing calling for a review of its plans to extract oil from the vast oilsands in north-eastern Alberta.

They wanted the company to provide more detail on the environmental impact of the project, which critics say will be more harmful to the environment than traditional oil extraction.

But BP, which argues it is

crucial in helping meet the world's energy needs over the next 20 years, won the vote with the support of major institutional investors. The company said it would make a final decision on whether to finance the joint venture with Canadian partner Husky Energy Ltd. by the end of the year.

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Don't stop allowances: Pharmacist

DRUGS Independent pharmacist Bryan Hastie says if Ontario eliminates professional allowances paid to drug stores by generic drug manufacturers, he may have to join his larger competitors and cut staff — but at his husband-and-wife operation, that means closing shop.

"If I didn't have the professional allowance income, I couldn't afford to

pay myself," Hastie said in an interview from his Kitchener, Ont., pharmacy Thursday. "And I make about a third of what a Shoppers Drug Mart pharmacist would make."

Hastie, who has owned a Medicine Shoppe franchise for three years, said it's a little unusual for the independents to be fighting on the same side as large competitors. "But Shoppers

Drug Mart's got the biggest pockets and they can stand up ... and they can afford it," he said.

The Ontario government says ending the professional allowances will cut the price of generic drugs by at least 50 per cent, knocking \$500 million a year off the cost to the province's public drug plan for seniors and others.

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Power execs take pay cuts

The co-chief executives of Power Corp. and Power Financial, Paul Desmarais Jr. and his brother Andre, both took pay cuts last year.

Paul Desmarais Jr., who also holds the title of chairman, received \$3.37 million in total compensation in 2009, down from \$5.18 million in 2008, according to the company's management proxy circular.

Andre Desmarais, who is also deputy chairman of Power Corp. and Power Financial, earned \$3.67 million, compared with \$5.02 million in 2008.

Both brothers received \$1 million in salary, the same as in the previous year. However, the level of option-based awards was cut in half to \$741,541. Total bonuses were reduced to \$1 million from \$1.25 million.

Compensation for pensions also decreased. Paul didn't receive any pension accrual because he has attained the maximum. That compared to \$876,000 in 2008. Andre's pension accrual was \$145,910, down from \$594,000 in 2008.

Executive vice-president John Rae, brother of Liberal MP and former Ontario premier Bob Rae, saw his total compensation fall to \$853,000 from \$1.17 million in 2008.

Henri-Paul Rousseau, Power's vice-chairman and former head of the Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec, received \$1.29 million in compensation. That included \$550,000 in total salary, \$124,313 in share-based awards, \$100,000 in bonus.

Rousseau started at Power in January 2009, after leaving the Caisse in May 2008.

Chief financial officer Phillip Ryan's compensation increased to nearly \$2.5 million, from \$2.27 million. Amaury de Seze, also listed as vice-chairman, earned \$1.66 million, up from \$1.4 million.

Power Financial, a subsidiary of the conglomerate controlled by Quebec's Desmarais family, earned \$1.4 billion or \$1.91 a basic and diluted share last year, up from \$1.3 billion or \$1.78 in 2008.

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Rio Tinto looks to energy increase

INDUSTRY Rio Tinto expects that a dry winter in the Saguenay region of Quebec will force its aluminum division to increase energy purchases this year from the provincial utility despite flat production levels.

The mining giant said low snow and rain levels that accompanied the warmest winter in 50 years could lead to reduced power generation by its Quebec facilities.

"At this point we're looking at lower levels than usual and it's pretty much the lowest levels we've seen in a little while," spokesman Stefano Bertolli said in an interview.

There were 176 millimetres of precipitation at all its Quebec reservoirs between Dec. 1 and March 31, representing 82 per cent of the normal winter total. It was the driest winter since 2002 and the ninth worst in 57 years.

Temperatures were nearly five degrees warmer than normal at -9.9 C making it the warmest winter since 1957.

Bertolli said electricity purchases will depend on

rainfall in the coming months.

Since 2002, Rio Tinto Alcan has generated on average 2,100 megawatts of electricity annually and purchased 159 MW from Hydro-Quebec.

It bought 116 MW last year, but 280 MW in 2007 during the last dry spell.

Rio Tinto, which pays low electricity costs under a secret contract with Hydro-Quebec, wouldn't disclose the possible cost of higher energy purchases.

The Anglo-Australian company said Thursday that its total aluminum production should remain stable at 3.8 million tonnes in 2010.

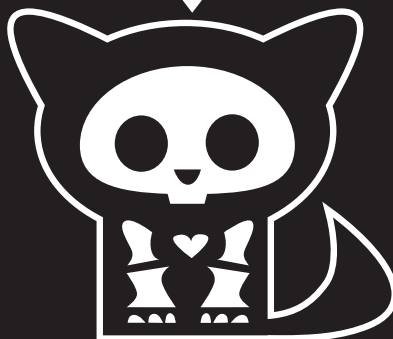
Production in the first quarter was one per cent below last year's level and two per cent lower than during the fourth quarter, partly because of smelter closures and divestments.

Overall Canadian aluminum production decreased 3.9 per cent to 420,000 tonnes in the first quarter compared to a year ago. It was down 2.3 per cent from last quarter.

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Former Saint Mary's Huskies quarterback Erik Glavic will return to the Calgary Dinos for another season, he told the Calgary Herald. Glavic attended the annual CFL evaluation camp last month and it was speculated he could sign a pro contract. **METRO HALIFAX**

Sports



Abeltshauser leading D-men

Konrad Abeltshauser of the Halifax Mooseheads leads the IIHF second-level world under-18 championship in defence scoring with a goal and six assists in four games. Germany has a 4-0 record at the event in Poland after a 6-1 win over Hungary on Thursday.

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Rainmen done in by sloppy second

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The Halifax Rainmen picked a bad time to play their worst statistical quarter of the season.

The Rainmen put up a season-low 14 points in the second quarter and — despite holding the edge in three other stanzas — were unable to recover in a 108-104 loss to the Lawton-Fort Sill Cavalry in the opener of the Premier Basketball League best-of-three semifinals before a crowd of 1,925 at the Metro Centre on Thursday.

The Cavalry grabbed the lead 1:40 into the second quarter and used a 17-point edge in that frame to bury the Rainmen, who never led again.

"That quarter hurt us a lot," conceded Rainmen centre Larry Turner.

Point guard Gary Ervin piled up 13 of his team-high 26 points in the final 3:07 of the game to bring the Rainmen to life and give the crowd hope of a comeback. His two free

Rochester up 1-0

• The Rochester RazorSharks, bidding for their third straight championship, can advance to the Premier Basketball League final on the weekend. The RazorSharks lead the Puerto Rico Capitanes 1-0 in the best-of-three semifinal after a 119-95 road win on Wednesday. Game 2 is Sunday at 3 p.m. in Rochester.

throws with 25.2 seconds to go narrowed the gap to one, 105-104, but the Cavalry regained a three-point edge a fraction of a second later on a pair of free throws.

A rare Ervin miss and a Tony Bennett turnover in the final 24.3 seconds sealed the Rainmen's fate.

"Throughout the whole game we made mistakes we shouldn't make, allowing transition baskets," Ervin said. "We're not going to blame it on one quarter. We had a chance to win the basketball game in the final minute. Those



Halifax Rainmen guard Tony Bennett is fouled by Lawton-Fort Sill Cavalry guard Eddie Smith during the first half of Thursday night's PBL playoff game at the Metro Centre.

are opportunities you have to take advantage of, especially at home."

Cavalry head coach Michael Ray Richardson, who called his club's second-quarter defence "unbelievable" and the "key to the game," said his game

plan was to limit Halifax on the offensive glass. The Rainmen had just seven offensive boards, more than half their season average.

"Limit them to one shot," he said. "If you keep them off the glass, they're in trouble."

The Rainmen are indeed in trouble, with Games 2 and 3, if necessary, in Oklahoma on Sunday and Tuesday, both at 10 p.m.

"This series is far from over," Ervin said. "Just like they stole one here, we can go there and steal two."

Cavalry to get Bowden back for Game 2

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PBL The Lawton-Fort Sill Cavalry will have a leading MVP candidate back in uniform when they return to Oklahoma on Sunday.

The Cavalry, who beat the Halifax Rainmen 108-104 on Thursday despite playing without top scorer DeAnthony Bowden, will have the six-foot-one guard back in the lineup when they host Game 2 of the best-of-three Premier Basketball League semifinal at 10 p.m.

Bowden averaged 17.9 points and 5.9 assists this season but didn't travel to Halifax with the team because of "family reasons," according to Cavalry head coach Michael Ray Richardson.

"He gives us more scoring punch," Richardson said.

The Cavalry have not lost a game in Oklahoma all season — they're a perfect 10-0 — and its players can't remember the last time they tasted defeat at Great Plains Coliseum.

The club won back-to-back titles in the now-defunct Continental Basketball Association before joining the PBL last summer.

"We ain't lost there in three years," said Cavalry forward Tim Ellis. "It's going to be electric in there. We've got to get ready ... It's a big game."

Game 3, if necessary, will also be played in Oklahoma on Tuesday at 10 p.m.

Canada hammers Belarus at U-18

HOCKEY Canada is in the win column at the IIHF world under-18 hockey championship in Bobruisk, Belarus.

John McFarland scored a hat trick and Ryan O'Connor had a pair of goals as Canada thumped host Belarus 11-3 in a preliminary round game on Thursday.

Canada improves to 1-1-0 in Pool A.

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Battle of New Brunswick could await Sea Dogs, Wildcats



Sea Dogs star Michael Kirkpatrick

QMJHL The Saint John Sea Dogs and Moncton Wildcats will go to work this weekend on making a dream matchup in the QMJHL final a reality.

The Sea Dogs, who face the Victoriaville Tigres, and the Wildcats, who face the Drummondville Voltigeurs, open the best-of-seven semifinals on Friday night knowing that an all-New Brunswick final could await if things go the

way they hope.

"If it ever did happen, it would be great for major junior hockey and for New Brunswick," Wildcats owner Robert Irving told the Moncton Times-Transcript. "It would be great for the fans and the two organizations."

The first-place Sea Dogs finished 14 points ahead of the Tigres and are led by former Dartmouth Subways star Michael Kirk-

patrick, a forward from North Sydney who is tied for the league lead with 17 points in nine games. Games 1 and 2 are in Saint John.

The Wildcats are up against the defending champions who have now won 24 of their past 25 games in a dominating run.

They visit the Voltigeurs for Games 1 and 2.

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The Bay Ducks to Host this year's Don Johnson Cup

The Don Johnson Cup, the Atlantic Junior Hockey Championship, comes to the St. Margaret's Centre beginning April 20th. The tournament features the champions from each of Nova Scotia, PEI, New Brunswick and Newfoundland, together with local favourites the Bay Ducks. The Ducks won the Fred Fox Division of the NSJHL, and were runners up in the Nova Scotia championship. They participate as the host team.

Games begin at 7 p.m. next Tuesday as the Bay Ducks take on the

Cumberland Blues in a repeat of the Nova Scotia championship, with the Ducks looking for payback after being swept by the Blues in four close games. The tournament continues on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday with round robin games each day at noon, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. The top four teams will advance to the semi finals on Saturday at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., with the final game on Sunday at 2 p.m.

Other than the Ducks and Blues, the tournament will be welcoming PEI's Kensington Vipers, the Charlotte County Silverkings of New Brunswick, and Newfoundland's St. John's Toyota Plaza Junior Caps. The Caps are looking to repeat after winning the championship in Newfoundland last year.

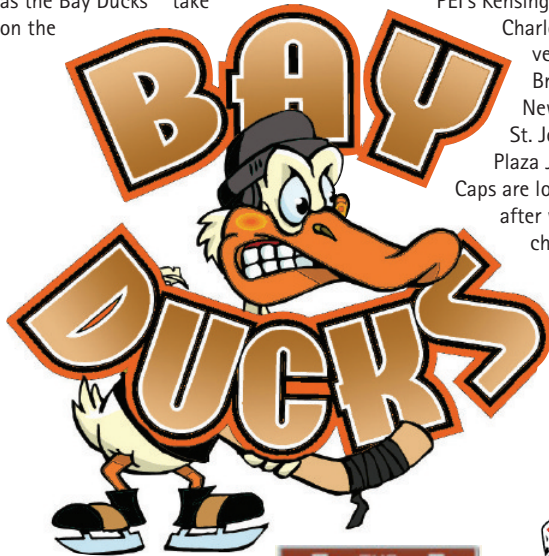


The Ducks accept the Divisional banner from NSJHL President Dave Campbell

Tickets for the round robin games are \$7 for adults, and just \$5 for children. Weekend games are \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children. A limited number of tournament passes are

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Twins take first series at Target

Francisco Liriano threw seven shutout innings for Minnesota, and the Twins took the first series at Target Field with an 8-0 victory over the sloppy Boston Red Sox on Thursday. Every Twins starter had a hit except batting champ Joe Mauer. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Montreal's Benoit Pouliot and teammates Scott Gomez, centre, and Brian Gionta celebrate Gionta's goal during the third period of Thursday's Game 1 against in Washington.

Ovechkin held shotless

(Montreal leads series 1-0)

Canadiens 3 Capitals 2 (OT)



NHL Tomas Plekanec scored on a slapshot at 13:19 of overtime as the Montreal Canadiens stole home ice advantage away from the Washington Capitals with a 3-2 win Thursday night.

Mike Cammalleri and Scott Gomez scored in regulation for the Canadiens while Nicklas Backstrom and Joe Corvo replied for the Capitals.

Game 2 of the best-of-seven Eastern Conference quarter-final is Saturday in Washington, where the regular season's top team will try to salvage a split at

home before the series shifts to Montreal.

Capitals superstar Alexander Ovechkin was a non-factor, failing to register a single shot on goal for only the second time this season, and getting undressed on the Canadiens tying goal in the third period.

Canadiens goalie Jaroslav Halak shook off a shaky finish to the regular season and shined in only his second career playoff start. He made 39 saves on 41 shots through regulation and stopped all six shots he saw in overtime.

Halak improved to 8-0-1 this year when facing 40 shots or more. In the Capitals net, former Canadian Jose Theodore wasn't nearly as busy but was sharp with 35 stops.

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Sports in brief

NFL The Oakland Raiders signed free-agent quarterback Kyle Boller Thursday, adding a former first-rounder to an unsettled quarterback mix. Former No. 1 overall pick

JaMarcus Russell lost his job midway through last season because of ineffectiveness and is competing with Bruce Gradkowski to get it back.

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Steelers ready to punish Big Ben

NFL Steelers president Art Rooney II says the team is ready to discipline Ben Roethlisberger but the punishment will be co-ordinated with the NFL and won't pre-empt any league action.

Rooney said Thursday that Roethlisberger told him he is prepared to accept disciplinary action. The Steelers likely would have acted by now, but Rooney said the NFL's labour agreement makes that difficult.

Rooney expects NFL commissioner Roger Goodell to spend several weeks reviewing the accusations that Roethlisberger sexually assaulted a 20-year-old college student in a Georgia nightclub bathroom. The quarterback

won't be charged in the case. The NFL and the Steelers probably won't settle on any punishment until after next week's three-day draft.

"When we get to the point where we have agreed with the commissioner on what that action will be, that's when it will be imposed," Rooney said during his first news conference concerning the Roethlisberger case.



The Roethlisberger case has been unsettling to the Steelers, and Rooney did not hide his displeasure.

"I have made it clear to Ben that his conduct in this incident did not live up to our standards," Rooney said.

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The love is gone for Kings' Doughty in Vancouver

HOCKEY Drew Doughty has gone from Olympic hero to public enemy No. 1 in Vancouver.

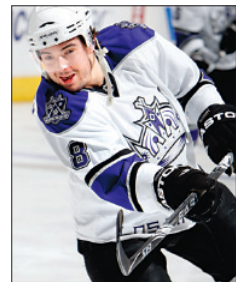
The Los Angeles Kings defenceman found himself in the rare position Thursday of preparing for his first career NHL playoff game against the Canucks on the same ice where he helped Canada claim gold in February.

But he's not worried about the lost fan loyalty.

"I always like having people root against you," Doughty said prior to the game Thursday. "A lot of people have us as the underdog in this series, coming in sixth place there."

The second-year rear-guard has a chance to accomplish what few others can — win Olympic gold and a Stanley Cup in his first post-season.

"It's crossed my mind before, but I know how hard it's going to be for us to



Drew Doughty

win that Stanley Cup," said Doughty.

Kings coach Terry Murray has high hopes for the 20-year-old Doughty.

"I expect Drew Doughty to play in the Stanley Cup playoffs the way he played for Canada in the Olympics," said Murray. "He knows how to get himself up for the big games. He knows how to step up at the right time."

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Commonwealth Games carry pioneering spirit



The Queen's Baton passed through Canada this week on its way to the 19th Commonwealth Games in Delhi, India.

Few took notice of the relay that will take the baton to 72 countries on five continents before reaching Nehru Stadium and the opening ceremony Oct. 3.

That's a shame when you consider the significance of one of the oldest multi-sport gatherings on the face of the earth and what it says about the power of athletics to create understanding between cultures.

The Commonwealth Games began in 1930 in Hamilton as the British Empire Games. Over the years they have showcased magnificent sporting achievement.

Roger Bannister of England and John Landy of Australia both ran the "Miracle Mile" in less than four minutes in Vancouver in 1954.

The legendary "Kip" Keino and the Kenyan distance runners initially made their mark in Kingston, Jamaica in 1966. The Games first ventured to Asia in 1998 at Kuala Lumpur. There, a 13-year-old diver from Canada, Alexandre Despatie, became the youngest major games champion. In Manchester in 2002, Ian Thorpe of Australia, one of the

greatest swimmers of all time, won six gold medals.

More important than the exploits of the sporting stars is the pioneering spirit of the Commonwealth Games. A far cry from the very "British" field day they once were, the Games have come to include developing parts of the world hungry to express themselves through the pursuit of sport.

India's population of 1.17 billion is second largest in the world next to the Peoples Republic of China. Yet, the upcoming Commonwealth Games

represent the largest sporting event ever staged in India's history. There are, of course, issues.

Overcrowding, pollution, poverty and lack of infra-

structure are hurdles to overcome. But the same can be said of most countries vis-à-vis sporting spectacles. The important thing being the Commonwealth Games and India are willing to try.

Sport aspires to be unlike politics, religion and economics. It attempts to break down barriers instead of creating them.

Therefore, more power to the Commonwealth Games.

In a year where FIFA is courageous enough to take the World Cup to Africa for the first time, we should all take notice of the path of the Queen's Baton.

Its journey signals the power of sport is reaching more people around the globe than ever before.

Gemini Award winner and author Scott Russell is the host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. A 20-year CBC Sports veteran, he has covered a variety of professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Tiger to play at Quail Hollow

GOLF Out of golf for five months until the Masters, Tiger Woods is waiting only two weeks to tee it up again.

Woods announced Thursday he will play the Quail Hollow Championship, which begins April 29.

It will be his first time playing at a tournament where tickets are sold to the general public since his spectacular downfall from a sex scandal.

Woods tied for fourth last week at the Masters,

which has the most controlled gallery in golf. Weekly badges are secured months in advance, and fans fear losing them if caught showing poor etiquette.

Woods received warm applause when he teed off in the first round, and the support was steady throughout the week.

The early commitment was a sign that Woods plans to be helpful to the promotion of tournaments.

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Kick-Ass good

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Enter Kick-Ass, a superhero movie that both mocks and extols the virtues of the movie genre.

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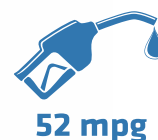
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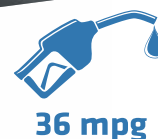


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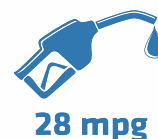
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Kick-Ass true to title

Kick-Ass

Director: Matthew Vaughn
Stars: Aaron Johnson, Chloe Moretz, Nicolas Cage
Classification: 18A
Rating: ⑤⑤⑤⑤⑤

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Matthew Vaughn's superhero flick Kick-Ass is an outrageous mix of stylized violence and dark humour that both gently mocks and pays homage to decades of superhero lore. It's a lovingly R-rated affair that is sure to thrill action movie lovers and costumed hero fans alike. Some will undoubtedly be offended by scenes featuring a pre-teen girl viciously dispatching legions of henchmen, but anyone with a sense of humour and an understanding that movies are make believe should be too busy giggling to notice any such party pooper.



Superbad star Christopher Mintz-Plasse dons the cape in Kick-Ass.

The film follows a boring and anonymous teen who decides to become a crime-fighter known as Kick-Ass. Predictably, he's not very good at it. But a grainy cell phone video makes him an internet sensation, drawing the attention of a local crime boss who wants to take down the costumed vigilante harming his family business. Of course, that's not Kick-Ass but a scorned cop out for revenge who is played by Nicolas Cage (channeling

Adam West) and has turned his 11-year-old daughter into a deadly assassin. They're called Big Daddy and Hit Girl and (much like Kick-Ass and the rich boy hero Red Mist) they aren't actually superheroes, but people just crazy enough to think it could work. The story is relentlessly entertaining with just enough genre subversion and subtle commentary on new media celebrities to offer a brain behind the colourful explosions.

On the web

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Films this odd and true to their own warped vision don't come along often and should be celebrated. It's a wish-fulfillment loveletter to fanboy culture that lands enough successful jokes and punches to appeal to a wider crowd as well.

Kick-Ass was clearly designed to be a cult movie, which rarely works as cult films are supposed to be dismissed oddities rediscovered years after theatrical failure.

However, this movie strikes the right balance between humorous piss-take and legitimate thrills to develop that kind of devoted fanbase. The only thing that could keep it from cult status is the fact that it's good enough to be a hit with audiences immediately.

Tattoo leaves mark

The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo

Director: Niels Arden Oplev
Stars: Noomi Race, Michael Nyqvist
Classification: 18A
Rating: ⑤⑤⑤⑤⑤

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Most contemporary American thrillers are models of economy, forgoing extensive character development in an attention maintaining rush to get the meat of the movie.

But the Swedish film has always been a model of restraint, taking it's time to gently, effectively dig deep into the human element before unleashing whatever beast it has hidden up its sleeve.

Which is why the highly touted murder mystery drama The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo comes so highly recommended: It's as intimate and detailed as it is epic and jarring.

Based on the posthumously published novel by Swedish mystery writer Stieg Larsson, director Niels Arden Oplev's powerful and very faithful film adaptation stars Michael Nyqvist as famed investigative journalist Mikael Blomkvist, who is framed for a crime he didn't commit.

As he prepares for his impending prison sentence, a mysterious tattooed, pierced tomboy punk girl is following him.

She's Lisbeth (Noomi Rapace), the dragon inked girl of the title, a brilliant, streetwise computer hacker and would be detective who, after a wealthy patriarch hires Blomkvist to uncover who in his family murdered his beloved, long dead niece, becomes the scribe's partner, in more ways than one.

But that synopsis barely scratches the surface.

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Avatar star is a sexy LoserNED EHREBAR
Metro World News

After last year's *Avatar* and *Star Trek*, Zoe Saldana continues her streak of guy-friendly films as tough-as-nails Aisha in *The Losers*.

And as much as she'd like to play something softer some day, the New York native is more than happy to kick a little butt on screen. "Hollywood has made a living out of portraying women to be such canker sores. We just have to be rescued all the time because we're so incompetent," Saldana says.

"I grew up in Queens in the '80s, where women were the caretakers and they were the soldiers. I'm in that phase right now, so until I burn that, then I'll be the damsel in distress. But, right now, I like holding the gun. I like participating in the saving of the day. I think it's really sexy."

The *Losers* required Saldana to team up with co-star Jeffrey Dean Morgan for both adrenaline-filled fight scenes and a steamy love scene, which she didn't mind at all, she says.

"It helps that Jeffrey was such a gentleman and so respectful because trust



Avatar and Star Trek actress Zoe Saldana plays a trigger-happy action heroine in *The Losers*.

me, as a woman, try doing that with a fucking prick," he says. "It's not a good day at work. You're the only one that's naked and you have to act like you're not aware that you're naked. And then, not only that, you have to flip your hair and have an orgasm. So, when you work with a good director and a good actor that makes it seem just like a regular Tuesday, then love scenes are like any other fight scene. They're just awesome."

Being the only woman in the cast, Saldana knew there was a lot of pressure.

"You have twice as much work to do because you don't want to be singled out. You're already the only

girl. So if you're the one that says, 'I can't do this,' or whatever. It's going to be, 'Oh, my gosh, she's wimping out because she's a girl,'" she says. "I like being around men. I've always felt like I can hold my own."

That male-friendly attitude extended to off-hours activities as well, she admits, especially with the cast and crew on location in Puerto Rico.

"I'm a beer-and-wine kind of girl and I like to unwind with the boys," she admits. "We were staying at this awesome hotel in San Juan and the crew, the team, the cast, we would all just go there and unwind."

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Disney has cast one of France's most in-demand young stars, Astrid Berges-Frisbey, in the key role of Syrena for Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides. The actress plays a mermaid opposite Johnny Depp's Captain Jack Sparrow.

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Jennifer Lopez stars in The Back-Up Plan, opening next Friday.

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Jennifer Lopez returns to movie screens with **The Back-Up Plan**, her first film since 2006's **El Cantante** with husband Marc Anthony.

J-Lo's returns with a Plan

But don't call it a come-back. "I don't really think of it that way. I was just home, kind of on maternity leave," Lopez insists. "Now, you know, my first movie's coming out since I was fat."

The years Lopez spent away from the camera could be considered re-

search for her latest role as Zoe, a single woman who decides to stop waiting for a man and get pregnant through in vitro fertilization. Two years ago, Lopez gave birth to fraternal twins Emme and Max.

"So many things in this movie was art imitating life for me because I had just gone through the pregnancy," she says.

"It was really fresh in my mind."

But aside from the whole pregnancy thing, Lopez didn't necessarily have a lot in common with her character. "Zoe and I are so opposite. She was so comfortable being alone, and I'm so uncomfortable being alone," she says. "In a sense it made me admire her. I loved playing her because I envy people like this. I kind of wish I was like her."

Looking at Lopez in *The Back-Up Plan*, it's hard to tell she had a pair of six-month-olds at home, but she insists recovering her famous curves wasn't easy.

"Getting back into shape was challenging, like it is for anyone who has a baby," she admits.

"The first few pounds drop off really fast, and then you're stuck with those last 10 to 20 pounds. And then you've really got to get disciplined." Having a movie to shoot proved to be the perfect motivation. "That was another level of having to not eat as much," she remembers.

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NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

REVIEW It's never clear why the world needed an American version of *Death at a Funeral*, Frank Oz's 2007 British comedy, but the result is entertaining all the same.

Collecting an all-star ensemble, the film follows the beleaguered Aaron (Chris Rock) as he tries to bury his recently deceased father while dealing with a number of family issues — not least of which is his resentment of younger brother Ryan (Martin Lawrence), the successful, limelight-hogging author. (Aaron, of course, is an as-

piring writer himself, though he hasn't let anyone read his manuscript.)

Transplanting the story from England to Pasadena, Calif., few changes have been made to the plot.

Peter Dinklage even reprises his role as a mysterious guest with information about the deceased he assumes the family would like buried along with him. While very funny, the film suffers from two distinct problems, the first being its rush to tie up plot lines — or drop them altogether. The other problem is Chris Rock himself, who seems ill-equipped to carry the film, even with such a huge ensemble around him. Playing the straight man to so much insanity, Rock feels restrained, his stronger comic abilities wasted.

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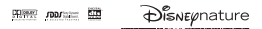
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Top albums on the Billboard 200

1. My World 2.0, Justin Bieber, right; 2. Raymond V Raymond, Usher; 3. Slash, Slash; 4. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum; 5. NOW 33, Various Artists. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

The jean machine

Library Voices overcome fear of pop on debut *Denim on Denim*

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

We've all got phobias, but this is a new one: A fear of pop music. That's not a clinical fear, of course, but it's something Michael Dawson, organist and guitarist for Regina's Library Voices, had to overcome.

"We had been terrified of the word pop for years," he says. "It was a little too shunned upon for us to take it and run with it."

But you can't keep a good pop song down, and soon enough Dawson ditched playing in "noisy" bands and embraced his love of the Beach Boys and the Kinks and The New Pornographers.

Dawson, and his seven other bandmates, realized that bubbly pop wasn't something to hide from when they did what every 20-something with a vinyl collection does — listen to old records. "We heard these old tracks that we loved over the years and

came to the conclusion that there's so much more to these songs than guitar, bass and vocals. It's so dense. Until we were into our 20s we never stopped to consider a harmonica."

It was then the band was born. Library Voices sounds a lot like The New Pornographers — multi-layered harmonies, rich, peppy instrumentation, chants, cheers and male, female vocals. It's incredibly catchy and while the band still have some work to do before they write an album as brilliant as the Pornos' *Mass Romantic*, their well crafted power pop tunes should only get better with time.

Despite being relative newcomers on the Canadian music scene, they're already garnering a ton of buzz. In 2008 Spin.com listed them as a band to watch and they've shared stages with the likes of Stars and Plants & Animals. Now, with *Denim on Denim*, their first full length, out, they're starting to see their



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audiences grow.

"Attendance is picking up," says Dawson. "We've put in the work — over 100 shows last year — and people are starting to take notice."

The more popular they get, though, the more demands will be placed on the Saskatchewan band. Dawson says they're all in for the long haul and the ones that weren't already left the group. "There were 10 of us," he reveals. "But two parted ways. Everyone understands to put music first."

Still, with eight people it's not easy to coordinate schedules. On one seven-week tour, they had to find another drummer, and other obligations have kept band members away here and there. "It's something

"Who knows what will happen. Things started slowly this year, but they're picking up like crazy."

Michael Dawson

that has to be catered to each of us, especially when it's costing money," Dawson explains.

With some label interest — he won't say from who — and more work on the horizon it's a good bet the entire Library Voices crew will stick around to see where the music will take them. "Who knows what will happen," he says. "Things started slowly this year, but they're picking up like crazy."

Fans around the world mark Record Store Day

SoundCheck

Alan Cross



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On the third Saturday of every April, music geeks celebrate Record Store Day, an annual worldwide event held to remind us of the cultural importance of those places where we've gathered to discover and discuss music.

Nick Hornby's *High Fidelity* will come to life in no fewer than 107 shops across Canada and thousands more around the

world.

As a professional music geek — it says so right on my business card — Record Store Day always makes me wax nostalgic about, well, where I've purchased some of my wax over the years.

Irene Pearson's Furniture Store: Although Winnipeg is just 20 miles from where I grew up, its record stores might as well have been on the other side of the planet. Thankfully, Irene had a small box of the latest Top 40 records on the front counter. All my paper route money disappeared into that box of seven-inch singles.

Sam the Record Man: If you're of a certain age, there's a 99.9 per cent

possibility that you bought music at one of Sam Sniderman's stores. I discovered new wave through a Devo 45 playing in a store in the Garden City Shopping Centre.

Sound Exchange: Two blocks away from the University of Winnipeg is a crowded musty shop filled with trade-ins. Not wanting to pay full price for a record by a band I'd never heard on the radio, I was able to check out Joy Division's *Unknown Pleasures* for two bucks.

Record Peddler: Customers at the long-gone location across from Toronto's Maple Leaf Gardens had their selections brutally critiqued by whoever was manning the cash register. I'm still gut-



Thousands of shops around the world are preparing to mark Record Store Day this Saturday.

ted that I didn't buy an obscure 12-inch EP by a group called 69 Tribe featuring a song called *Bikers*.

Rough Trade: Almost 10 years ago I asked Nigel, an affable chap behind the counter at the Notting Hill branch, for some-

thing new and interesting. He handed me De Stijl from the White Stripes. "They're gonna be mega," he said.

Amoeba Records: This is THE place to go in L.A. Always pay very close attention to the staff picks on the end-of-aisle dis-

plays.

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Television

The good actress: Margulies

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Metro World News

Ten years after leaving *ER*, Julianna Margulies finds herself back on television with another bona fide hit, the legal drama *The Good Wife*, which earned the actress critical acclaim as well as a Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild award after only a few episodes had aired.

On the series, Margulies stars as Alicia Florrick, who returns to practicing law after her politician husband (Chris Noth) is embroiled in a sex scandal. Margulies spoke to Metro about infidelity, power and why women are better at dealing with both.

Q How do you relate to what your character is going through?

A The great thing about playing this

role is we don't know what is going to happen... Everything she is doing right now is because she has children, and I think she is trying to piece together a family somehow and make sure that her children are safe, but we don't know what is going to happen.

I don't know what I would do personally. Every situation is different, and who is to say? You don't know what happens in a bedroom, you know. You are not there.

So we are very quick to judge these women. The thing I love is the premise of this show — is there such a thing as forgiveness?

Q Is there?

A I don't know. I think it's tricky. I've had friends whose husbands have absolutely had midlife crises and ended up with the nanny and woke up a year later and said, "I am an idiot. Take me back," and they have and it's worked out. I have friends who say, "Screw you, see you later," and now they are off remarried with a great guy.

I can't imagine it happening to me, but I'm a newlywed. But all I know is, God forbid it ever did, I

would want to try and do everything I could to try and save my marriage because I believe in the institution of marriage.

Q Why do you think people are so fascinated by these kinds of sex scandals?

A I guess it's a fantasy world to everyone else... A politician is different than anything else. There's a power you have that's different than anything else.

Q Do you think women deal with this kind of power differently?

A Absolutely! We are programmed differently.

Even if you have never been married with children, we still know how to multitask.

Someone asked me, "Why is it that women are not having the affairs?" And my answer is, we don't have the time. I'm sure women are having affairs, but if you have a full-time job and you're a mother and a wife and a friend and a sister and a daughter, when on earth are you going to find the time to slip out and have some nookie?

I can't imagine having to fit that in.

Q Was the show based on what happened with New York Governor Eliot Spitzer and his wife?

A I would be remiss to say that it's based solely on the Spitzers because it is not. It's an

accumulation of what happened to many of these

women. I think Eliot Spitzer was very good at his job. Unfortunately, he thought he was untouchable and he did bad things.

Q If he returned to politics, would you vote for him?

A I don't know. I would have to see what was on his agenda before I did that. But for me, personally, when the whole thing happened with Bill Clinton, he was still a great president. I did not care that he was getting blow-jobs from women. That had nothing to do with my view of how America was being run. I am more liberal that way.



Left: Julianna Margulies.



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A dog's life can help a human one

DOCUMENTARY Jennifer Arnold spends her life breeding, training and matching service dogs for people with disabilities or special needs.

It was her own quest for a dog that saw her through her darkest years when she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and her father's death dimmed her chance for independence.

"I remember not wanting to leave the house," she said. "I felt very awkward, scared. It surprised me how frightened I was to be left alone. You feel so vulnerable."

Arnold has written a book, *Through a Dog's Eyes*, that comes out in September.

A PBS documentary based on the book and narrated by Neil Patrick Harris debuts April 21 (check local listings for time).

Harris, star of *How I Met Your Mother* and a dog owner, said he was "wildly moved" by the documen-

tary about the bond between the service canines and the people they help. "You can see it in the faces of these dogs," he said.



Neil Patrick Harris narrators the doc *Through a Dog's Eyes*.

Arnold was 16 and care-free, enjoying life with her mother and eye-surgeon father in Atlanta.

Then doctors said she had multiple sclerosis and she found herself in a wheelchair. Her father tried to get her a service dog, but she was far down on the waiting list.

So they decided to set up their own service dog training school, Canine Assistants, an academy her father planned to fund by delaying his retirement. Three weeks later, he was hit and killed by a drunken motorcycle driver.

But Arnold and her mother didn't abandon the dream and started training their first dog in March 1992. Canine Assistants is now among the largest service dog providers in the country.

Through a Dog's Eyes looks at Arnold's treat-based teaching methods. The film focuses on five people, their families and the dogs.

In the last 20 years, Canine Assistants has given away 1,000 dogs; there is a waiting list of nearly 2,000.

The organization does not charge for the dogs, and will pay for food and vet bills for the life of the dogs, if needed.

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Television

Sex charge halts Seagal show

Production of a television show featuring reserve deputy and movie star Steven Seagal will be suspended "for the time being" as Seagal faces sexual harassment allegations, a suburban New Orleans sheriff said Wednesday.

Jefferson Parish Sheriff Newell Normand said the continued video recording of the reality series, Steven Seagal Lawman, would be a distraction for the depart-

ment in light of allegations made against Seagal by a woman in a California civil lawsuit.

Kayden Nguyen, a 23-year-old model, sued Seagal for \$1 million on Monday in Los Angeles, alleging he sexually harassed her and engaged in sex trafficking. Her lawsuit claims Seagal hired her as an executive assistant and flew her to Louisiana

while he was making the reality series and repeatedly groped and fondled her.

She claims she was kept at a house in Lafitte, La., for several days and that Seagal repeatedly fondled and groped her, touching her genitals and breasts without permission. She claims two other women were kept at the

house and were used by the actor for sexual purposes.

Seagal's attorney, Marty Singer, denied the allegations and said in a statement that Nguyen was fired for illegal drug use.

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Steven Seagal

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21	21	21	TLC	What Not to Wear	Wedding SOS	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear Awards	Not to Wear	
22	22	22	W	House-Sell	House-Sell	Supernanny		How to Look Good Naked			Step Up 2 the Streets ** (2008, Drama)		
27	27	27	YTV	iCarly	To Be Indie	New York Minute ** (2004, Comedy)	Ashley Olsen				Things I Hate	That's-Weird	Prank Patrol

SATURDAY	HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time 4/17/10	31	31	31	ABC	News Center	World News	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Shark Tale ** (2004, Comedy)	Voices of Will Smith			Caste
7	7	7	ASN	The Road to Avonlea			W-FIVE-Manners		Earthstorm (2006, Science Fiction)	Dirk Benedict (DVS)			Stargate Atl.
11	11	11	CBC	National	Curling Capital	One Grand Slam: Grey Power Players	Championship, Women's Final				Hockey Night	NHL Hockey	
32	32	32	CBS	WBZ News (N)	Evening News	renewed	The Perfect Assistant (2008, Drama)	Rachel Hunter			Strikeforce Saturday Night Fights		
6	6	6	CHIF	16:9-Picture	W5 (N) (DVS)		Spectacle: Elvis	Flashpoint (DVS)			Love-Death	G-Spot	News Final (N)
9	9	9	CJCH	MLB Baseball	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	Cops			America's Most Wanted	Fox First	
36	36	36	FOX	MLB Baseball	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	Cops			America's Most Wanted	Fox First	
12	12	12	NBC	News	Access Hollywood (N)	The Biggest Loser					Law & Order (HDTV)	Law & Order	
55	55	55	SCOR	MMA Show	Footy Show	WWE Vintage Collection	Score Rewind	Cabby Unlimit			Score Now	Footy Show	Hockey Sat.
53	53	53	TSN	SportsCentre	NHL Hockey Montreal Canadiens at Washington Capitals							SportsCentre	
16	16	16	A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)								
70	70	70	APTN	Tears	The Mix (N)	MYTV	ReTunez	Aboriginal Day			Life or Something Like It * (2002, Comedy)		
37	37	37	BRVO	Arts & Minds	Bravo/Videos	Ex Machina in Russia		Star Portraits	Books-Film		Liar Liar *** (1997, Comedy)		
49	49	49	COM	Comedy Now (DVS)		Corner Gas	Corner Gas	Hiccups	Dan for Mayor		The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Danny Bhoj
18	18	18	CNN	Situation Room-Wolf Blitz	Fixing America's Schools (N)			Special Investigations			Larry King Live	Newsroom	
38	38	38	DISC	Cash Cab	How It's Made	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Destroyed	Destroyed		Dirty Jobs	TBA	
48	48	48	HGTV	Holmes on Homes	Buy Me	Agent-Agent		Property	For Rent		Outdoor Room	Genevieve	Makeover
46	46	46	HIST	Ancient Weather	Nostradamus Effect			Cities of the Underworld			Collateral Damage * (2002, Action)		
17	17	17	MM	The Vampire Diaries	The 40-Year-Old Virgin (2005, Romance-Comedy)			Muchmusic Countdown			The Untouchables (1987, Crime Drama)		
206	206	206	PIX	The Mummy	(7:40) The Mummy Returns ** (2001, Adventure)	Rachel Weisz		Storm Cell (2008, Drama)	Mimi Rogers		American		
39	39	39	SHOW	Constantine	About a Girl	ReGenesis		Real Housewives-Atlanta			Real Housewives, Orange	Project Runway	
40	40	40	SLICE	Til Debt-Part	Til Debt-Part	Real Housewives of NYC		Real Housewives-Atlanta			48 Hours: Hard Evidence	Hard Evidence	
21	21	21	TLC	48 Hours: Hard Evidence		48 Hours: Hard Evidence		48 Hours: Hard Evidence			Beauty Shop ** (2005, Comedy)		
22	22	22	W	Hollyw'd Best	Last Holiday ** (2006, Comedy)	Queen Latifah, Gérard Depardieu		Beauty Shop ** (2005, Comedy)			That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This
27	27	27	YTV	Kid vs. Kat	League-Evil	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Amer. Funniest Home Videos					

SUNDAY	HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time 4/18/10	31	31	31	ABC	News Center	World News	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home	Desperate Housewives	Brothers		
7	7	7	ASN	The Road to Avonlea			TMZ (N)		Solar Attack (2006, Science Fiction)	(DVS)			Law & Order
11	11	11	CBC	Hockey Night	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Ottawa Senators (HDTV) (Live)						National	NHL Hockey	
32	32	32	CBS	Evening News	WBZ News (N)	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)			The 45th Annual Academy of Country Music Awards (HDTV) (Live)				
6	6	6	CHIF	Global Nat.	16:9-Picture	Cleveland Sh	King of Hill		The Simpsons	Family Guy		The Celebrity Apprentice (HDTV) (N)	
9	9	9	CJCH	Two/Half Men	Big Bang Th	The 2010 JUNO Awards (HDTV) (N)			The Simpsons	Cleveland Sh		Desperate Housewives	CTV News
36	36	36	FOX	NASCAR Racing	'Til Death (N)	The Simpsons			The Simpsons	Cleveland Sh		Family Guy	American Dad
12	12	12	NBC	News	NBC News	Dateline NBC (N)			Minute to Win It (N)			The Celebrity Apprentice (HDTV) (N)	
55	55	55	SCOR	Score Today	The WWE Experience				MMA Fight Night			Score Rewind	Score Now
53	53	53	TSN	NHL Hockey New Jersey Devils at Philadelphia Flyers (HDTV) (Live)					NHL Hockey Nashville Predators at Chicago Blackhawks				
16	16	16	A&E	G. Simmons	G. Simmons				G. Simmons	G. Simmons		G. Simmons	Kirstie Alley
70	70	70	APTN	Mighty River	Down2Earth	Canadian Geographic			Call of the Wild "Betrayal"			Girl, Interrupted ** (1999, Drama)	
37	37	37	BRVO	Ex Machina in Russia	Arts & Minds	Bravo/FACT			Spectacle: Elvis			King Arthur (2004, Historical Drama)	
49	49	49	COM	Laughs	Laughs	Hiccups	Dan for Mayor		Comedy Now (DVS)			South Park	Ugly
18	18	18	CNN	Fixing America's Schools	Newsroom				Special Investigations			Larry King Live	Newsroom
38	38	38	DISC	Deadliest Catch	Deadliest Catch				Deadliest Catch			Deadliest Catch	MythBusters
48	48	48	HGTV	House	House	House	House		Sarah's House	Home to Flip		Holmes Inspection	House-Bryan
46	46	46	HIST	Ice Pilots NWT (HDTV)					Ancient Discoveries (HDTV)			The Mummy Returns (2001, Adventure)	
17	17	17	MM	Secret Life of American Teen					America's Best Dance Crew			My Date	My Date
206	206	206	PIX	World Is Not	(7:40) Die Another Day ** (2002, Action)	Pierce Brosnan			Analyze That ** (2002, Comedy)				
39	39	39	SHOW	Howie Do It	Kink in Hair	Pure Pwange	Trailer Park		Odyssey and the Isle of the Mistis	(2008, Fantasy)		Wedding SOS	Wedding SOS
40	40	40	SLICE	Buy Me	Buy Me	The Big Flip	Marriage		Rich Bride Poor Bride			Hoarding: Buried Alive	Don't-Buried
21	21	21	TLC	Lottery Changed My Life	Lottery Changed My Life				Accidental Fortune (N)			Cupcake Girls	Cupcake Girls
22	22	22	W	Beauty Shop	Hwd 10 Best	Supernanny			Come Dine With Me			Fries That?	Fries That?
27	27	27	YTV	Agent Cody Banks ** (2003, Adventure)	Frankie Muniz, Hilary Duff				Family Biz				Survive This



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DeGeneres' vegan diet

Ellen DeGeneres credits her figure to her vegan diet. The 52-year-old television presenter admits her youthful looks and toned physique are thanks to her long-time decision to not eat meat and avoid sugar. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

**Going Out****Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now****1 Juno Awards**

MUSIC Canada's recording industry gathers on The Rock this weekend for the 2010 incarnation of the music awards. The show will feature more than a dozen acts, and include segments shot live on George Street in downtown St. John's, N.L. CTV will air the show and stream it on its website, CTV.ca.

**2 Girl With the Dragon Tattoo**

MOVIES With the Swedish film opening in Canadian theatres this weekend, Hollywood is busy speculating on who will star in an American-version of the movie, based on a book trilogy by Stieg Larsson. Among the names being thrown around to play the lead role is Kristen Stewart — who is no stranger to trilogies thanks to the Twilight books.

3 The Bedwetter, by Sarah Silverman

BOOK There is a wonderful disclaimer from publisher Harper Collins at the start of Silverman's book: If you are offended by stripping naked in public, or stabbing your boss in the head by a writing implement, then this book may not be for you. If you aren't in any way nauseated, then you should buy it. I guess Silverman knows her demo.

**4 Hollywood Hellraisers**

POP CULTURE Tiger Woods and Jesse James may be the new bad boys of celeb gossip, but they're nothing compared to some of Hollywood's past hellraisers. In his book, Hollywood Hellraisers — now in paperback — Robert Sellers examines the fast times of Marlon Brando, Dennis Hopper, Warren Beatty and others.

5 Conan O'Brien

TV Late night's dethroned prince is returning to the realm of 11 p.m. this November, after the red-haired host signed a deal with TBS for a new talk show. The news came as O'Brien started his two-month comedy tour across Canada and the U.S. As always, he added a bit of humour to his announcement: "The good news: I will be doing a show on TBS starting in November! The bad news: I'll be playing Rudy on the all new Cosby Show," he Tweeted.

**6 Xavier Dolan**

AWARDS It's been quite the year for the Quebec filmmaker. On Monday the phenom director of I Killed My Mother (J'ai tué ma mère) received the Claude Jutra Award from the Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television, and now its been announced his second feature, Les amours imaginaires, will be screened at the Cannes Film Festival.

**7 Avatar**

DVD In time for Earth Day, the record-breaking film with an eco-message is making its DVD debut. If you are one of the few who hasn't seen it in theatres, you can now add to its total gross by buying it on Thursday.

Cameron lauds decision to delay bids on Amazon dam

Director James Cameron is applauding a Brazilian judge's decision to temporarily halt bidding on a huge hydroelectric dam, yet he warns the fight is not over in what he calls a "real-life Avatar" battle in the Amazon.

A federal judge in Para state on Wednesday delayed the April 20 auction for construction of what would be the world's third-largest hydroelectric project.

He said more time was needed to examine claims that Amazon Indians living near the site weren't consulted about the project and that insufficient environmental protection measures were put in place.

"It's a small victory for us, but I don't expect the battle is over," Cameron told The Associated Press by telephone from the small Amazon city of Altamira, where he was lending support to project opponents.

Government lawyers were analyzing the decision Thursday and will appeal it soon, said a spokeswoman for Brazil's solicitor general's office. She spoke on condition of anonymity due to department policy.

President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva strongly supports construction of the Belo Monte dam, arguing it will help Brazil meet its ever-growing energy needs. Silva on Wednesday also criticized international pressure to stop the dam project.

"No one worries more about taking care of the Amazon and our Indians than we do," Silva said Wednesday in a speech in Sao Paulo.

Silva also said, without mentioning Cameron by name, that people from developed nations should not lecture Brazil on the environment because those countries spent centuries destroying their own forests.

"We don't need those who already destroyed (what they had) to come here and tell us what to do," he said.

The director of the hit movies Avatar and Titanic spent two days this week visiting Indian villages near the proposed site of the dam on the Xingu River, which feeds the Amazon River. He said he talked with about 50 leaders of various Indian groups.

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Lauchie, Liza and RoryWhen: Through April 18
Where: Bus Stop Theatre

Based on the novel by Cape Breton born Sheldon Currie, the two-actor play tells the story of a man whose boring life quickly changes when he's introduced to a certain woman. For ticket information, visit easternfronttheatre.com.

Ultimate Elvis SpectacularWhen: Sunday, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Rebecca Cohn Auditorium

If you love Elvis, this show is for you as Shawn Klush plays the role of The King and performs all of his hits with his group The Fabulous Ambassadors. A special guest for the show is a performance from Brandon Bennett. Tickets are from

\$25 to \$57.50. Box Office: (902) 494-3820 or (toll free) 1 800 874-1669

Peter PanWhen: Opens Friday and runs through May 30
Where: Neptune Theatre's Fountain Hall

This musical fairy tale is set to come to life in what is sure to be a hit with audiences. The play stars Stephen Roberts in the role of Peter Pan, and will see the Ontario-born actor doing many acrobatic moves on stage. For ticket information, visit neptunetheatre.com.

HedleyWhen: Friday, 6:30 p.m.
Where: Halifax Metro Centre

This Canadian pop-rock band from Vancouver is touring in support of its third album The Show Must Go featuring the hit singles Cha-Ching and Don't Talk To Strangers. Faber Drive, Stereos and Fefe Dobson are the openers. Tickets are \$46.50 each.

Bigger Than JesusWhen: Through April 24
Where: Neptune Studio Theatre

This one-man show performed by Toronto's Rick Miller exciting multimedia and multiple characters to explore the thorny crown of Christianity through conflicting viewpoints. For ticket information, visit neptunetheatre.com.

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The duo behind South Park are heading to Broadway. South Park creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone will debut their musical comedy, *The Book of Mormon*, in March 2011, *The Associated Press* reports. **TVGUIDE.COM**

Entertainment

Keeping up with the Joneses

There's a good reason 75-year-old Montreal pianist Oliver Jones cherished the chance to release an album with 91-year-old Hank Jones.

"It's not often that I get the opportunity to play with musicians that are older than me," a laughing Oliver Jones told *The Canadian Press* in a telephone interview.

"It was quite a thrill for me."

Also a thrill? Jones' chance to win a second consecutive Juno Award for traditional jazz album of the year for the resulting collaboration between he and the elder Jones (no relation).

It's Oliver Jones' 10th career Juno nomination, and he's already won two trophies. If he wins this one, he'll want to thank the other Jones — who won't be present at the show — and then another legendary jazz pianist whose presence looms over the album: Oscar Peterson.

Peterson, who died in 2007 at age 82, was Jones' mentor, neighbour and friend with a relationship that spanned more than 70 years. And he served as the partial inspiration behind his latest heralded work.

The album features two powerful renditions of Peterson originals (*Blues for Big Scotia* and *Cakewalk*) and Jones' warmhearted tribute to Peterson, written shortly after his death, *I Remember OP*.

And indeed, there are plenty of memories.

Jones says Peterson lived

right around the corner — "about 15 doors away" — when they grew up in Montreal's working-class Saint-Henri

neighbourhood.

Though Peterson was nine years his senior, Jones became familiar with him from the age of five or six. They attended the same church and Jones listened to Peterson's radio show "religiously."

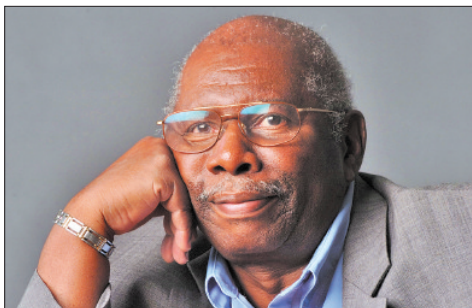
"He was someone that I saw every day of my life as a youngster, growing up," Jones said.

Jones took piano lessons from Peterson's older sister, Daisy Sweeney and acknowledges the "tremendous impact" Peterson had on his musical career.

Playing with Hank, meanwhile, also provided a thrill for Jones.

They've known each other for decades. Oliver Jones, clearly, holds his peer in high regard.

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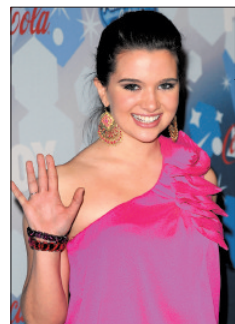


Montreal pianist Oliver Jones, 75, has been nominated for 10 Juno awards and won two of them.

Garcia, Stevens gone in double Idol elimination

TELEVISION American Idol viewers were cruel to Andrew Garcia and Katie Stevens.

The 24-year-old musician from Moreno Valley, Calif., and the 17-year-old high school student from Middlebury, Conn., received the fewest viewer votes Wednesday on the Fox singing contest.



Katie Stevens was voted off American Idol Wednesday.

Both failed to wow the judges with Elvis Presley tunes Tuesday.

Stevens received a mixed reaction to Baby What You Want Me To Do, while Garcia was lambasted for Hound Dog.

"I'm glad I've been through what I've been through," Garcia said after his dismissal.

Stevens and Garcia were both sent packing on the double-elimination episode because the judges saved 26-year-old personal trainer Michael Lynch of Queens, N.Y., last week.

Idol host

Ryan Seacrest revealed that Lynche, who impressed the panel Tuesday with a low-key rendition of In the Ghetto, was not one of the bottom-three vote getters on Wednesday.

Garcia was ousted at the beginning of the show, but Stevens didn't learn her fate until after performances from two past Idol contestants. Brooke White, the seventh season's fifth-place songstress, crooned Presley's If I Can Dream with model-singer Justin Gaston. Adam Lambert, the eighth season's runner-up, performed his own Whataya Want From Me.

"If you want to win this competition, you've got to wake up," Lambert advised.

The other finalists remaining in the competition are Crystal Bowersox, 24, of Toledo, Ohio; Lee Dewezy, 24, of Mount Prospect, Ill.; Aaron Kelly, 17, of Sonestown, Pa.; Siobhan Magnus, 20, of Marstons Mills, Mass.; Casey James, 27, of Fort Worth, Texas; and Tim Urban, 20, of Duncansville, Texas.

The top seven singers will tackle inspirational tunes next week.

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The group swirls around a nucleus of Miranda Lambert and Lady Antebellum's Hillary Scott, fast

friends whose positive energy draws in others like moths to a flame.

"I think it's cool because it just kind of started all the sudden," Lambert said. "The new generation is starting to really show what we're about and it's cool that we're really fond of each other genuinely. It's really not about competition with us. We're

all happy for each other."

The group includes Scott's bandmates, Charles Kelley and Dave Haywood, and Lam-

bert's boyfriend, Blake Shelton. Scott has been friends with Taylor Swift since country's golden girl was 14.

Lambert and Carrie Underwood are buds, too. Add in Luke Bryan, David Nail and Ashley Monroe

and you've got a regular posse. So far the friendship has spawned hit songs and a lot of fresh ideas.

"Everybody's just kind of working for each other and pulling for each other," Shelton said. "That helps a lot. This business is so competitive. When somebody is doing real good and has your back that's one thing, but when everybody's doing real good, kind of shoving each other along, it makes it that much stronger a force."

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Lady Antebellum's Hillary Scott and fellow country music star Miranda Lambert are good friends despite competing for awards at the Academy of Country Music Awards. Scott's band has seven nominations, while Lambert has six.



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Kate Walsh is legally a single lady now, as her divorce proceedings are finally over. The Private Practice star's 14-month marriage to film executive Alex Young was officially dissolved by a Los Angeles judge this week, People reports. **PEOPLE.COM**

Entertainment

Love looking for redemption after last album

5 years in the making, Hole's new album, *Nobody's Daughter*, gets strong radio reception

Unlike most celebrities who speak with the media, rocker Courtney Love doesn't hold back or watch her words.

She compulsively name-drops and seemingly can't help herself from gossiping about friends and relating random encounters with the famous people who frequent the same velvet-roped hot spots.

And she's equally frank about her past failures, including a solo album — 2004's *America's Sweetheart* — that went nowhere and sent her on a downward spiral.

The album coincided with trainwreck TV appearances on the Late Show with David Letterman and Comedy Central's Roast of Pamela Anderson, arrests, a drug overdose, rehab, and the loss of tens of millions of dollars through alleged embezzle-



Hole's new album, *Nobody's Daughter*, opens Apr. 27

ment.

She also lost custody of Frances, her daughter with late husband Kurt Cobain.

"(America's Sweetheart) probably shouldn't have been made, alright? You can tell a man or woman

by their failures and certainly that was one of mine, it's nothing I'm particularly proud of," Love

said during a spirited telephone interview with The Canadian Press, one of many she conducted in a press blitz to promote the first Hole album in 12 years.

"That record didn't go anywhere, I didn't tour on it, I didn't like it, I hated it. I had a nervous breakdown — crazy, crazy, I went nuts, all that stuff. Did a lot of drugs, yadda yadda. And so the effort that I put into (Nobody's Daughter), this is to me a fine wine that has been bottled for exactly the amount of time it needed to. And has all the complexity that an album should have."

Love, 45, is hoping for redemption and a new way

forward with Hole's *Nobody's Daughter* which is out Apr. 27 and took five years to complete. Dozens of songs were written and recorded before the band carefully settled on the final 11 tracks for the album, which was financed by Love.

The first single, *Skinny Little Bitch*, has been well-received and is a chugging return to form, reminiscent of the grunge days of the '90s. Love said she was overwhelmed when she heard the song was getting serious radio airplay.

"I was crying in the airport, I was sobbing," she recalled. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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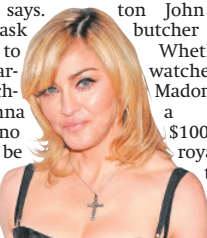
His babies received to much medication

Dennis Quaid revealed that his newborn twins nearly died after a medical error at a Los Angeles hospital. In 2007, they were accidentally given an overdose of a blood thinner, Quaid said to the Associated Press. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

**Celebrity Buzz****Decidedly not Glee**

HONESTLY, DOES THIS WOMAN HAVE ANY SENSE OF FUN? While hit TV series Glee will be paying tribute to Madonna next week with an episode devoted to her music, the Material Girl herself won't be tuning in, according to Popeater. "Madonna doesn't have a TV and has no idea what

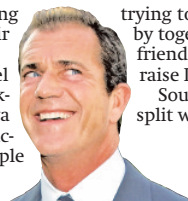
Glee is," a source says. "The show did ask her if she wanted to make an appearance in the much-hyped Madonna episode. She said 'no thanks' and, to be honest, she would rather sing an El-



ton John song than butcher one of hers." Whether she watches or not, Madonna will earn a reported \$100,000 US in royalties from the episode. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

Five months and out the door

MAYBE THEY SHOULD HAVE GOT THEIR DATE BOOKS OUT BEFORE MAKING A BABY After more than a year of dating and seeing the birth of their five-month-old daughter, Mel Gibson and Oksana Grigorieva have split up, according to People magazine.



"They just drifted apart," a source says. "They're both working hard on their careers and trying to raise a sweet baby together. They're still friends and they'll both raise Lucia together." Sources insist the split was amicable. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

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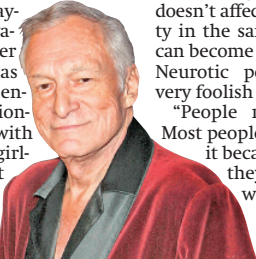
JOHN MAYER is asking his Twitter followers for instruction, **JUSTIN BIEBER** is feeling the pressure, and **HEIDI MONTAG** is working on her screenplay. @johncmayer I'm being schooled in video rendering right now. This is why Twitter can rock from time to time. Like a humid, throbbing Google. @justinbieber Sometimes this is the most fun ever, other times it's really hard and there's so much pressure. Thanks 2 everyone for the support. means alot @heidimontag it's a beautiful day to be writing my action movie with my team. I have been watching Rambo and been inspired to be the Femme Fatale of 2011 **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

**Oh The Hef is wise in his ways**

THE THOSE WAYS ARE KNOWING A THING OR TWO ABOUT SEX AND WHAT DRIVES MEN (HINT: SEX) Hugh Hefner doesn't believe in sex addiction, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Playboy magazine founder — who has famously enjoyed relationships with multiple girlfriends at the same time — claims the

condition is just a "cop out" excuse for adultery. "I think 'sex addiction' is a convenient phrase for what is really an obsession," he said. "Sex is not like a drug or alcohol. It doesn't affect the physicality in the same way. But it can become very obsessive. Neurotic people can do very foolish things. "People make choices. Most people who cheat do it because they think they can get away with it."

**METRO NEWS SERVICES****Hey, Gossip Girl here ...**

AND I HAVE THE BIGGEST NEWS EVER. THERE'S A VAMPIRE SNEAKING AROUND IN NEW YORK Despite a rumoured relationship with Twilight co-star Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson is reportedly spending time with newly single Gossip Girl star Leighton Meester, according to In Touch Weekly.

Pattinson was recently spotted at Meester's New York apartment.

"He ducked out of the building and hopped into a waiting car. He apparently spent the night with Leighton, and didn't want anyone to know," a source says, adding that their alleged affair has included steamy text messages as well. "She's having a texting romance with him, and is so into it. She talks with Rob almost daily."

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Melissa separates from her wife

CELEBRITIES ARE JUST LIKE US! THEY SHOP AT GROCERY STORES AND PUMP GAS AND THEIR MARRIAGES FAIL, TOO. Melissa Etheridge has split from her wife, Tammy Etheridge, after more than nine years together. "Melissa and Tammy Etheridge are saddened to announce that they are now separated," the singer's rep tells People magazine. "We ask for consideration and respect for our family as we go through this difficult period."

The couple exchanged vows in 2003 and gave birth to twins in 2006.

**METRO WORLD NEWS****Say yes to drugs, kids**

IT'S PART OF RUSSELL'S THEORY OF EVOLUTION Russell Brand thinks heroin would save the music industry, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The British comedy actor claims heavy drug use could help the world avoid the "aw-

ful music" teen stars such as Justin Bieber are releasing.

"The top of the hit parade would look very different if teenyboppers were exposed to heroin," Brand — who has overcome heroin addiction — told Rolling Stone magazine. "It would weed a lot of

them out. I don't think Justin Bieber could handle Syd Barrett from Pink Floyd's habit."

"A lot of people in their journey to rehab overdose, and then, perhaps, we could be spared their awful music. It's Darwinian. It's the law of natural selection."

**METRO NEWS SERVICES****A rehab breakout and a mustache**

I WONDER IF CHARLIE'S MISTRESS ASKED FOR A RIDE? Charlie Sheen is reportedly stepping out on wife Brooke Mueller while he's supposed to be in rehab, Radar Online reports. He's been spotted trying to dodge photographers

by wearing a fake mustache, sunglasses and a hood when visiting his alleged mistress Angelina Tracy. "He's been cheating for a long time," a source says. "He just got caught."



A rep for Sheen tried to explain away the disguise to Access Hollywood, saying, "Since Sheen knew he was being followed and how this would look, he wore the mustache in a tongue-in-cheek disguise gesture." **METRO WORLD NEWS**

Filling up the space left by a broken heart?

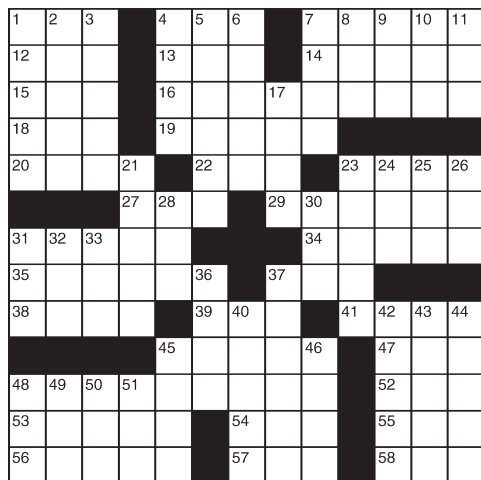
HOPE THIS ISN'T TRUE. THE SMALL-BREADED LADIES OUT THERE WILL BE DISAPPOINTED After splitting up with Alex Rodriguez, Kate Hudson has been missing in action.

According to Us Weekly, that's because she's been recovering from breast augmentation surgery. The actress went under the knife in late March, according to

the magazine. "Kate makes jokes about her boobs, but her chest has always been one of her biggest insecurities," a source says. **METRO WORLD NEWS**



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4 Cleo's slayer
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19 Shimon of Israel
20 Greet the villain
22 Take blades to blades
23 No different
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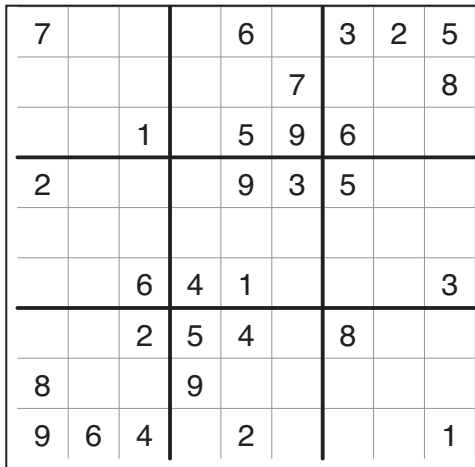
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Metro Recipe of the Day



Turkey Kebabs with Fennel and Red Pepper Relish

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lb (500 g) boneless skinless turkey breasts
3 garlic cloves, chopped
1 1/2 tbsp (20 ml) lemon juice
2 tbsp (25 ml) dry white wine
1 tbsp (15 ml) chopped fresh sage, or 2 tsp (10 ml) dried sage, crumbled
1 tbsp (15 ml) chopped fresh rosemary
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) fresh thyme leaves, or 1/2 tsp (2 ml) dried thyme
1 tsp (5 ml) fennel seeds, lightly crushed
2 1/2 tbsp (40 ml) extra-virgin olive oil
1 red pepper, seeded and finely diced
1 fennel bulb, finely diced
1 tbsp (15 ml) tapenade, or 10 black kalamata olives, pitted and finely diced
8 shallots or pearl onions
Salt and fresh-ground black pepper

METHOD

1. Cut turkey into 24 pieces, each about 2 x 3/4 in. (5 x 2 cm). Combine turkey pieces with 2 garlic

- cloves, 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice, wine, sage, rosemary, thyme, fennel seeds, 2 tbsp (25 ml) olive oil and salt-and-pepper seasoning. Toss turkey pieces to coat with herb mixture. Leave to marinate at least 10 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, make relish. Put red pepper, fennel, tapenade or diced olives, remaining garlic, 1/2 tbsp (7 ml) lemon juice and 1/2 tsp (7 ml) olive oil in medium bowl and stir. Add salt and pepper to taste; set aside.
3. Preheat broiler to high or light barbecue. Thread marinated turkey pieces onto skewers. Add one shallot or pearl onion to each.
4. Broil or barbecue kebabs, turning over and basting with marinade, 15 minutes or until turkey is cooked through and lightly charred in spots. Serve kebabs hot with pepper relish.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.comFor Sally's expanded daily and weekend horoscopes, visit metronews.caARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You are determined to change your life for the better, but don't try to change everything at once. Too much effort could do more harm than good.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23

You may be convinced that a certain viewpoint is right but how do you convince others, especially when the evidence seems to point in a different direction?

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21

You may find it more difficult than usual to control your desires today but you need to be aware that if you go too far you could burn yourself out.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22

Scorpio is ruled by both Pluto and Mars, planets that don't take prisoners, and you will be noticeably more assertive over the next 24 hours.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21

Stand outside yourself and see your problems for what they really are. In the greater scheme of things they hardly matter at all.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21

You are right to be so positive and optimistic, but there is still a lot of ground to cover between here and the place you want to be.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22

It may seem as if a loved one is withholding their affection but they just think you want to be left alone.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20

You must expect some rather sharp criticism today from people who envy your abilities. Don't get involved in a war of words.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23

Believe it or not, everything that happens in your life takes place at just the right time. So ask yourself: why are certain things happening right now?

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18

It may seem as if you have gone as far as you can go with a project, but don't give up on it yet. Something will happen soon that reignites your enthusiasm.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22

The mind is a powerful tool and if you tell yourself that a task is going to be unpleasant you will create the conditions that make it unpleasant.

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You may feel that some kind of drastic action is called for but the planets urge you to resist the temptation to go over the top.

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